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By Religious News

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Protestant Episcopal Cathedral here may become the first church in the world to be heated by atomic energy. Engineers are exploring the possibility of installing an atomic furnace.

GENEVA — Big Four leaders were told that church members throughout the world are following their summit conference here with "prayerful concern."

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Spokesmen for Protestant groups urged the Senate Armed Forces Committee to reject the modified compulsory reserve program approved by the House.

BOSTON — The reported release of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary, is "a hopeful sign" that tension throughout the world is lessening, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston said here.

DOVER, Del. — Two bills calling for amending the state constitution to permit bingo games conducted under the auspices of religious, charitable and civic groups were passed by the Senate.

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Laymen are "waiting for the call" to work for their churches, the executive director of the Lutheran Laymen's League said here.

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Church-Denom. Leaders Listed

The more than 60 active associational stewardship chairmen who are leading in mobilizing the state for observance of Church and Denomination Night in September-October are being revealed this week by Rev. Joe Abrams, Jackson, director of Promotion and state chairman.

The Regional Planning Conferences have already been held and suggested materials to be

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We Walked Where Jesus Walked

BY A. L. GOODRICH

(Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series of articles being written by Editor Goodrich while he is in Europe.

There is so much about the Holy Land that it will be necessary to make one or two more

articles and then "the half has never yet been told." The others will follow.)

We realized a life-time's ambition as we reached Bethany on the outskirts of Jerusalem and beheld Jerusalem spread

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U. S. To Hands Off In Argentine Scrap

Also No Relations With Vatican

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)

— The United States will not intervene in the current dispute between the Argentine government and the Roman Catholic Church, the White House disclosed here.

Nor does President Eisenhower contemplate the establishment of formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican, the White House said.

The President's views were made known in a letter sent to Rep. Victor L. Anfuso (D-N.Y.) by Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams.

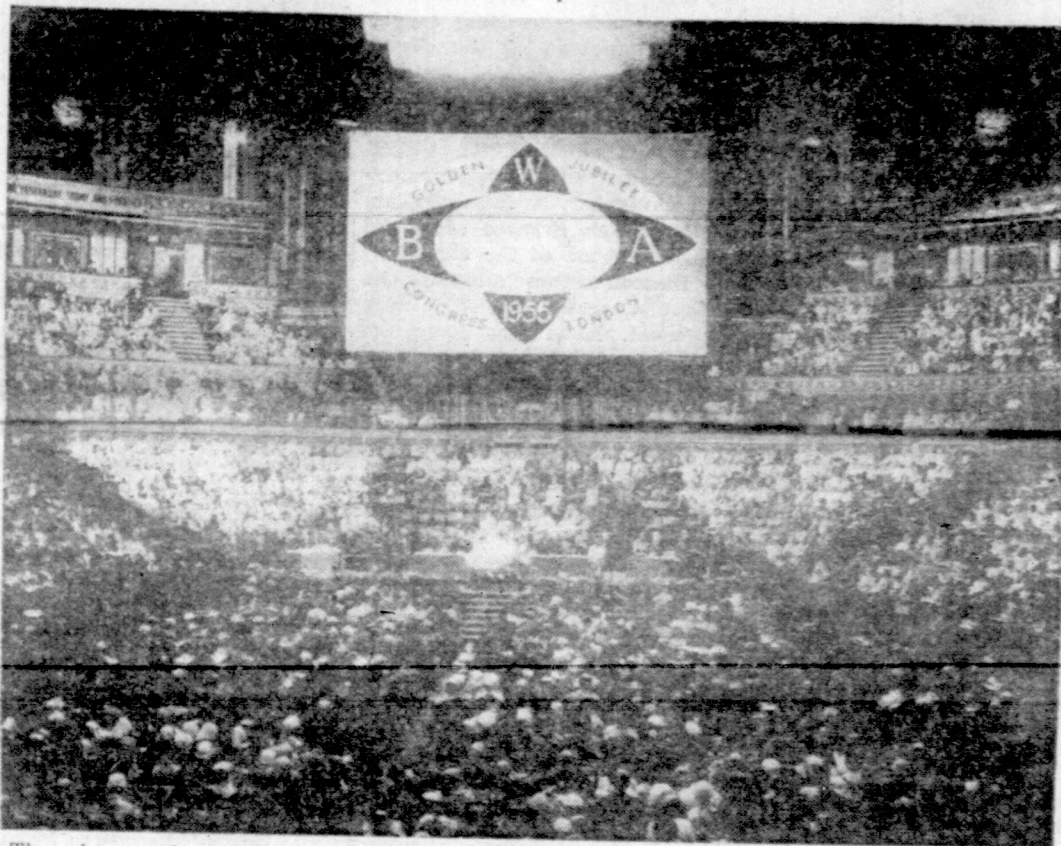
On June 24, Mr. Anfuso wrote Mr. Eisenhower demanding that the U. S. take action to force the Peron government in Argentina to halt its campaign of religious persecution.

He also proposed that the U. S. establish diplomatic relations with the Vatican to show that American sympathies lie with the Catholic Church in Argentina.

Mr. Anfuso's office made

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Jubilee Congress of BWA In Session



The above photo by Religious News Service shows one of the early general sessions of the recent Golden Jubilee Congress of the Baptist World Alliance in Royal Albert Hall, London.

The following is a running

account of the Congress which closed last Friday, by A. L. Goodrich:

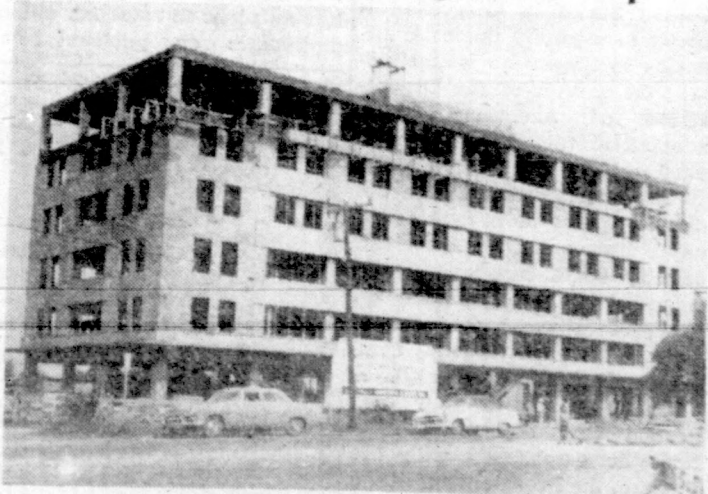
LONDON, July 22 — More than 50,000 people gathered in Arsenal tonight, including most of the 8,542 registered messengers to the 50th anniversary meeting of the Baptist World Alliance heard Billy Graham name six musts for Baptists if they would continue the phenomenal progress made during the past few years.

The noted evangelist, fresh from Geneva, site of the Big Four Conference named six musts for Baptists.

1. Remain Orthodox.
2. Remain simple. Preaching over peoples' heads is useless and futile.
3. Keep on the evangelistic trail.
4. Keep a proper balance between evangelism and training and education.
5. Keep a sense of urgency.

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Medical Arts Building Goes Up



Shown above is a photo made last week of the Medical Arts Building under construction opposite the Mississippi Baptist Hospital at the corner of North State and Manship streets in Jackson.

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Natchez Citizens Band Selves For Law Enforcement

A group of Natchez citizens have banded themselves together for the purpose of seeking better law enforcement in the community, it has been revealed by Rev. Allen C. Johnson, pastor Immanuel Baptist Church and spokesman for the group.

Several meetings have been held and many supporters have flocked to the cause, he declared.

"The primary purpose at present is to enlist an aroused citizenry that wants better law enforcement to elect the one candidate in the field for sheriff who has promised the people better law enforcement," he continued.

"Our purpose is not to deal in personalities but to uphold a principle, and that principle is better law enforcement," he concluded.

Jubilee Congress . . .

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The call to all is for consecrated service and it is more urgent today than ever.

6. Be willing to pay the price of being spirit-filled.

The newly elected president, Dr. Theo F. Adams was presented and he expressed the hope that during the coming five years under his leadership there would be written a new chapter in Baptist history.

Meeting in Royal Albert Hall, London's largest auditorium, the Baptist World Congress had a record enrollment and a record attendance. The auditorium which seats 7,000 was filled at most sessions.

It was reported that this was the first time that Royal Albert Hall had been rented for a full week by any organization.

In addition to electing Dr. Adam as president, other officers elected are: vice-president, J. T. Ayorinde, Nigeria; Mrs. Edgar Bates, Canada; H. Espinoza, South America; Lem Chi Fung, Hong Kong; Jakob Meister, Germany; L. A. North, New Zealand; B. Pradham, India; P. S. Wilkinson, U. S. A.; J. I. Zhidkov, Russia.

Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn was re-elected general secretary and Robert S. Denny of the Sunday School Board, Western Associate Secretary for Youth Work. Dr. E. D. Willingham of Washington was named treasurer for the Western Hemisphere.

North Americans elected to the Executive Committee are: J. H. Jackson, Chicago; W. H. Jernegan, Washington; Mrs. Nannie Burrough, Washington; John W. Williams; W. C. Tapper, F. C. Woyke, Reuben Nelson, V. Carney Hargrove, E. H. Pruden, Theron Chastain, Mrs. Maurice B. Hodge, John A. Dawson, Baker James Cauthen, Louie D. Newton, Porter Routh, Duke K. McCall, J. Howard Williams, J. D. Grey and Walter Pope Binns. Thirty eight others from various countries were named on this committee.

Other North Americans elected to committees are: Resolutions, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, Dr. Louie D. Newton, Dr. J. Howard Williams, Dr. J. H. Jackson, Dr. John Skoglund and Rev. M. Simpson.

Americans on the Business Committee are: Duke K. McCall, Theo F. Adams, J. H. Jernigan, E. H. Pruden, Baker J. Cauthen and E. B. Willingham. On the nominating Committee: Walter P. Binns, Porter Routh, C. C. Warren, Forrest Fuzor, Mrs. George R. Martin, V. Carney Hargrove, Ralph Johnson, Marshall Shepherd, Gardner Taylor, John W. Williams, Dr. M. Leuschner.

Mrs. George R. Martin was elected chairman of the Women's Committee and Mrs. M. B. Hodge was also named to that committee. R. Paul Caudill was re-elected chairman of the Relief Committee.

North Americans elected to the Youth Committee are: Robert S. Denny, Jim Namaghan, Miss P. Borders, Dr. W. H. Jernigan, Edward Hill, Miss Joyce Farr, Forrest Fordham, Kerie Keegan, Miss Margaret Bruce and Evan Zeiger.

Russians Extend Invitation

For the first time since 1928 Russians were present. A delegation of nine were roundly applauded at every appearance and Russians were named to several committees.

Although unexpected the Russians invited four Baptists from the United States to visit Russia and preach all over the country. They are: Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn, Dr. Theo F. Adams, Dr. J. H. Jackson and Dr. Carney Hargrove.

In extending the invitation, Rev. Yakov Zhodkov said,

"You will be free to preach on whatever you like, to go wherever you like and to make any arrangements you feel necessary. It is purely a religious visit. Politics won't come into it at all."

More than 60 nations were represented and the only countries without representation were Communist China, Roumania, Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia.

In his opening address Dr. F. Townley Lord, London pastor and retiring president said that it was appropriate that the Golden Jubilee Congress should meet in London for in the very same week 50 years ago the Congress was organized in London.

The most colorful and inspiring sessions were the roll call of the nations. One representative of each nation was called on to tell briefly of the work in his country. Dressed in native garb and speaking broken (sometimes very broken) English they thrilled their hearers with reports of Baptist progress as well as persecution around the world.

The most colorful part of the program was the pageant on Wednesday night. Depicting high spots in Baptist history more than 300 performers and 200 singers, dressed in costumes appropriate to their part, showed the rise and continual growth of Baptists.

Fellowship, spreading across the world was the keynote of the Congress and all visitors to Royal Albert Hall must have been impressed to see the people of all nationalities, races and colors swelling out into the street, a happy gathering, earnest, yet cheerful, eager and optimistic. Or as Dr. Adams, the new president said, "There is a wonderful opportunity in the years just ahead to build on the broad foundation that has been built in the last 50 years."

Or as Dr. Lord said, "If we can build some bridges of understanding and good will between people of different races and nations we think we can make a contribution to the

peace of the world."

Nearly half the messengers were women and they came early and stayed late.

Growth Noted

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, chairman of the Relief Committee reported that Baptists have done much more than simply extend their sympathy and pity to homeless and hungry people of the world. More than ten million dollars were given for relief between 1947 and 1950.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, associate secretary also reported more than 30 new churches organized among refugees.

Although fellowship was a dominant theme of the Congress, freedom was also emphasized. Dr. Stanley I. Steuber said that religious liberty is no grant by human powers, not a privilege bestowed by men but a human right rooted in human nature and grace, and taught and guaranteed by the gospel itself. Strong resolutions on this vital subject were adopted.

The Atlanta Baptist Choir provided much of the special music and was a hit from the first number. A Mississippian, Miss Sarah Frances McDaniel is a member of the choir.

Sixteen of those attending the first Congress in 1905 were present. None was from the U. S. A. However, almost one-half of the more than 8,000 delegates in 1955 were from the U. S. A.

Baptists of Australia and New Zealand came in a chartered ship. The trip took six weeks and they expect to reach home in November.

At the first session a message of greeting was sent to Queen Elizabeth. The next day she sent a gracious reply.

U. S. To Hands . . .

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public the text of the White House letter. The Congressman, who was attending a meeting of the NATO Parliamentary Congress in Paris as a member of the U. S. delegation, did not comment on it.

Stating that he was writing at the direction of the President, Mr. Adams said that for the United States to intervene directly in a purely domestic situation in Argentina would violate the charter of the Organization of American States adopted at the Bogota Conference in 1948.

"Any intervention in the domestic affairs of Argentina or any other Latin American country could consequently be regarded as a repudiation on the part of the United States of a formal international commitment," Mr. Adams said.

"In reference to your suggestion that diplomatic relations be established with the Vatican, the President's attitude remains what it has been in the past."

Rep. Anfuso also had suggested that the U. S. establish formal diplomatic relations

Among the many excellent addresses was one by Rev. G. H. Blackburn, of Australia. His subject was "The Tie that Binds." He emphasized the following Baptist ties:

1. Jesus Christ. 2. The Bible.
3. Love for one another.



Dr. Theo F. Adams

Dr. Adams, the new president is a native of New York and is 57 years old. He has been pastor of the 6,000 member First Church of Richmond since 1936.

Not all the people used the subway for the transportation to the Arsenal Stadium on Friday Night but the thousands who did had a time getting home. At one time the three abreast line from the four man ticket window was more than 1/2 mile long and the last ones got their tickets in about 2 hours.

Most of the sermons and addresses were read which made them flat and lifeless.

Since the First Congress met in 1905 Baptists have grown from 7 1/2 million to 20 million.

with the Holy See "as a gesture of friendship and of our desire to promote world peace and understanding."

In March, 1954, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles declared that the administration had no plans to establish either diplomatic or personal rela-

tions with the Vatican.

The Congressman outlined in his letter to the President four actions which he said the United States should take to show its displeasure with the Peron regime's policy:

- (1.) Send a memorandum "expressing its interest in developments concerning religious persecution and infringements upon religious liberty."
- (2.) Recall the U. S. Ambassador "temporarily for consultations."
- (3.) Withhold grants on a \$60,000,000 loan approved by the Export-Import Bank for construction of a new steel mill in Argentina "until the situation is clarified."
- (4.) Establish diplomatic relations with the Vatican, an act which he said would show that our sympathies lie with the Catholic Church in the struggle.

Mr. Adams told Mr. Anfuso that there are "no plans" to recall our ambassador for consultation, "since American interests are better served at this time by his continued presence in Buenos Aires."

"Ambassador Nufer has, of course, been in the fullest reporting contact with the Department of State on Argentine developments," he stated.

With reference to the suggested diplomatic protest and withholding of the Export-Import Bank loan, the President's assistant said, "While you write that you are not urging intervention in Argentine domestic affairs, it appears that some of the steps which you suggest our government take might be construed as tantamount to intervention."

"We continue our unreserved support of our national position and principles and position on religious freedom and tolerance, and our government will continue its efforts to advance the ideals internationally. Such steps, however, must be consistent with the doctrine of non-intervention which is an integral part of our current U. S. foreign policy."

Mr. Adams added that "for historical reasons this doctrine is particularly significant in our relations with our sister States of Latin America."

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Whence Mississippi Baptists

God apparently has had a purpose in bringing Mississippi Baptists to where we are and for such a time as this.

Only a casual observation will disclose that Mississippi Baptists are on the march and have reached a position of importance and size that few of us have realized.

Numerically speaking, we now number 421,917 and our growth continues at a rapid rate.

At one time Baptists were considered poor. Today that is not true. The total gifts of our people to their churches last year was \$13,367,132. Our giving is increasing annually in substantial amounts.

Mississippi Baptists today are unified as never before. There is unity of purpose, unity of cooperation, unity in spirit.

Much more could be said in similar vein. The above truths should not cause us to boast or become proud. They should humble us before almighty God. And we believe they have.

Progressive developments are evident on every hand.

Our mission program is expanding. We are ministering now to the Negro race, the Chinese and the Indians, as well as to the whites.

We are now acquiring our first state assembly property with a full schedule of assembly features set for next summer.

Our educational institutions are expanding in their work and in enrollment. The outlook generally for our colleges was never brighter than today.

Our denomination, through the Cooperative Program, is apparently determined to support them progressively more each year. New buildings are going up on our college campuses.

Our Orphanage is in a healthy state, with a new dormitory now under construction.

Our hospital is in the midst of a two-way forward step. The second phase of its \$1,000,000 building campaign is in progress and the self-liquidating Medical Arts Center opposite the hospital is well underway.

The Board of Ministerial Education is expanding its ministry from two college campuses to three.

The Baptist Foundation now administers assets of approximately \$1,000,000, the highest on record.

At the present time a selected group of writers is preparing the Mississippi section of the Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists to be off the press in 1957.

Our church property valuation has now reached a total of \$59,796,408.

Our Mission contributions to Southern Baptist Convention causes increase with each passing year. And our contribution to Southern Baptist leadership has been phenomenal.

Whence Mississippi Baptists?

Why has God blessed us as he has? For what purpose has he prospered us? What is our mission? What of our future? What does he expect of us?



The Above questions cannot be passed off lightly. It's an old adage that of whom much has been given, much will be expected.

Obviously opportunity is ours. Opportunity to truly mobilize our forces for good and exert them full speed ahead for the cause of Christ.

There is much to be done, both in Mississippi and to the uttermost parts of the earth. Our influence for good, individually and collectively, should be felt in every way. Let us not even think of God removing the mantle from our hands. Let us seize our opportunity with all our might.

We are living in a great day—the atomic age. The forces of evil are apparently stronger than ever. We must become, with his power, ever stronger.

The challenge is before us. Let us respond.

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Most Encouraging News

The lead story on page one of this issue carries some of the most encouraging news we have seen in sometime.

In fact our page one layout had called for another story there but it was pulled in favor of this one.

President Eisenhower and the administration have been under terrific pressure both to intervene in the Argentine dispute on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church and to establish formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

The White House spokesman's release points out clearly that the president will not intervene in the Argentine dispute and that he "does not contemplate formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican."

We must keep in mind as Baptists, however, that the battle has not been finally won but it is a continuing one.

Those who favor diplomatic re-

lations with Rome will not give up easily. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance, as has been well stated before.

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How To Be Happy

Down through the centuries much has been written and said on the question of happiness, and the subject has not yet been exhausted.

We do not have the last word here but below we reprint a few choice observations from one of the church bulletins that come to our desk. The author is unknown:

Think of all the good things you know about people, and quit looking for things they do which don't suit you.

Look upon every day as God's day, and not the devil's. Then you will serve God, and not another.

Get it out of your system that you are right, and that everybody else is wrong. Because it is not so.

Don't listen to the man who tells you that everything is going to pieces. This world was here at least six thousand years before you were born. It is still standing. God isn't dead.

Remember the prescription of Jesus. Lose your life if you want to find it. He who helps most finds the most happiness. If you give little you will get little.

Don't forget this: True riches belong to the heart, rather than to the bank vault. Store up wealth in your heart and you will be happy. Store up wealth in the bank vaults and you may be miserable.

If you want to be happy, keep company with God. He promises to give peace. The devil lends only, and collects on short time, with compound interest. You may not believe this, but it is so. Some have found out when it was too late.

God wants you to be happy. Therefore do right, work hard, give generously, be friendly, have faith, keep on going on.

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Music School A Real Opportunity

Mississippi Baptist Churches will have a golden opportunity for their musicians and music leaders in the annual Church Music School to be held at Mississippi College August 1-5.

An outstanding faculty has been secured by W. C. Morgan, state music secretary, who will direct the event.

The program scheduled for this year is superb and every church will do well to plan to send its music leaders to the school.

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GREETING THE PREACHER

Dear Editor:

It is a beautiful thing to see people come to the front after a service, take the preacher's hand, and extend to him a word of greeting and of appreciation. This moment, however, is no time to stand, ask questions and discuss points of approval or disapproval.

When Dr. McCracken of the Riverside Church, New York was with us a few years ago I went up to greet him, stood for two or three minutes while a good person carried on a conversation whose character I did not learn, but I knew that I was keeping a friend waiting and turned myself to go. Dr. McCracken saw me, excused himself from the one talking to him and called me back. If it had been I that was thus detaining him, I should have been much embarrassed.

One may say that this is none of my business, and it isn't, but I am venturing to offer a word about it anyway, and I believe that those who give heed to my word will be wise. Dr. Hufham used to say that he was always wise when he was not otherwise. Those who fail to take heed are otherwise.

W. R. Cullom
Wake Forest, N. C.

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Otherwise a letter of inquiry will have many read it.

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out on the hills before us. We knew that we were walking where Christ walked. We felt that every step we took was on holy ground, hallowed not only by the Master's holy steps, but further consecrated by his faithful followers of that day and the centuries since.

Among the great religions of the world, three — Judaism, Christianity and Islam — look to Jerusalem and Palestine as a sacred heritage of their faith.

The Holy Land is small in size, barely 150 miles in length by 60 miles in width, but to nearly a billion people it is the Holy Land.

The people who claim it as the Holy Land are as sharply divided as are the geographical features of this small country. And although the different peoples differ widely in their customs of worship and theological viewpoints there is a bond of unity in the Holy Land, the cradle of the faith of each.

In antiquity it played little part in political affairs, yet it nurtured the most powerful spirited forces in history.

The word "Jerusalem" has been interpreted to mean "vision of peace" or "possession of peace."

I had read much of the tension and conflict between the Arabs and the Jews. But the half has never yet been told.

Today tension, hatred and conflict reign in Jerusalem. All of old Jerusalem — the Jerusalem of the Bible — is in Arab hands. The Jerusalem of modern growth, on the other hand, has been built and is controlled by the Jews.

The Jews greet all with the word "Shalom" and the Arabs with "Salaam," both meaning peace but the words of Jeremiah 6:14 "Peace, peace, when there is no peace" are more true today than ever before.

A solid stone wall separates the two and armed guards are everywhere. Guards are on every road and atop of every point of vantage. No mail, no telephone connections, no passage is permitted between Arabs and Jews or between old and new Jerusalem. Border clashes are a daily occurrence.

Frankly, war could and probably will break out at anytime. Some Arabs, after their humiliating defeat by the outnumbered Jews said, "The British are for us, but God is for the Jews." Several Arabs frankly told us that they expect war with the Jews and that the Jews will win.

History reveals almost constant conflict in Jerusalem and God's word reveals that there will never be peace in the "foundation of peace" until the Prince of Peace rules in Jerusalem.

On the outskirts of Jerusalem is Bethany the home of Mary and Martha and the cave re-

Veterans To Resist Witnesses' Rally

BURLINGTON, Vt. — (RNS) — Veterans' groups have served notice they will resist efforts to permit use of the Burlington Memorial Auditorium here by Jehovah's Witnesses for a regional meeting, Oct. 28-30.

Mayor J. Edward Moran said had received a phone call from the leader of a veterans' organization which threatened to override a decision by Burlington's aldermen if necessary.

"I was told," the mayor said, "that if the alderman give permission to the Jehovah's Witnesses to meet in the auditorium, veterans organizations will have 800 men at the building to prevent the sect members from entering."

Mayor Moran added he had received many other calls from different groups who oppose making the auditorium available to the sect. The mayor said he agreed with them.

In 1948, there was a riot in connection with a meeting of Jehovah's Witnesses in the State Armory here.

Sect members oppose saluting the flag, claim exemption from the draft as conscientious objectors and have attacked other religious groups.

puted to be the burial place of Lazarus. Bible readers will remember this home as a favorite resort of Christ and the scene of the raising of Lazarus.

Before reaching Bethany we saw the river Jordan and the approximate place where Christ was baptized. The Jordan may be a river here but it would be a wide creek in Mississippi.

And then the Dead Sea which is just what its name implies, DEAD. No living thing can exist in it. We bathed in its waters and just as we had often read, you cannot sink. Its high salt content bouys up the body and without effort you float. It is 1280 feet below sea level and is the deepest depression on earth.

It is dead because it continues to receive but does not give. It receives the oncoming waters but none goes out. Some human beings are the same way. They receive and never give and soon become dead so far as worth to the world is concerned.

All tourists are shown the Wailing Wall in old Jerusalem. But since the division of the city no Jews are permitted there and the wall is just that — a wall but no wailers and no wailing.

One of the most interesting places and one of the most beautiful is the Rock, a great Moslem Shrine which is in what is called the Temple Area. Built on the site of Solomon's Temple this magnificent structure with wonderful mosaics and priceless decorations, enclosed the rock which is said to be the one where Abraham took Isaac to be sacrificed. The rock is

Licensed To Preach

John Robin Bradley Jr., son

of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bradley of Inverness, was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by the Inverness Church.

John Robin made his decision during the spring revival and will enter Mississippi College in the Fall to begin preparation to fulfill his call to the ministry. Dr. John Cobb is the pastor.

now enclosed by a stout iron fence because so many tourists chipped bits of rock as souvenirs.

The temple area comprises about 13 acres and even when free to do so the Jews never set foot in this area. They believe that the Ark of the Covenant is buried in the area and they believe if they were to step on the ground covering the Ark they would die instantly.

Most of the so-called sacred spots are covered either by Catholic or Moslem temples or shrines, and tips or admission charges are in order.

Seeing the pool of Bethesda reminded me of the experience of the lame man who had waited for years to get in first but always failed because his lameness allowed others to beat him to it.

The Tomb of the Holy Sepulchre is magnificent and a beautiful sight to behold (after paying an admission fee) but to us its beauty and magnificence did not erase the fact that it did not meet the Bible specifications of the place where our Savior was buried. A discussion of the most likely place will be in the next article. No electric lights brighten the tunnel but candles are provided (for a price).

As we passed a very large Jewish cemetery in the Arab section of Jerusalem. We noticed that all of the thousands of tombstones were knocked down and scattered as though struck by a cyclone.

The Arab guide explained that this was done by the Arabs in retaliation for the same treatment of an Arab cemetery by the Jews. Three days later a Jew said it was the Arabs who first did it.

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FORMULA FOR A REVIVAL

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Arkansas Congressman Heads Christian Life Commission**122,126 Belong To Mississippi BTU's**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Baptist Training Unions sponsored by Southern Baptist churches in Mississippi reported enrolments totalling 122,126 last year.

The increase of 9 per cent over Mississippi enrolment in 1953 helped Baptist Training Union enrolment over the Southern Baptist Convention surpass two million for the first time.

J. P. Edmunds, head of the Baptist Sunday School Board department of survey, statistics, and information, announced the new BTU figures.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

BY

Prof. WILLIAM D. GREER
Mississippi College

Dudley T. Pomeroy, from Boiling Springs, Spartanburg, S. C., to First, Newport, Ky.

Dr. J. D. Hillman, Mississippian, from Selma Church, to College Park Church, Greensboro.

L. B. Reavis, from First, Denton, Texas, to the staff of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

Floyd Helms, from Grace Church, Albemarle, N. C. to Bethany Church, Westville, S. C.

T. S. Green, from Rocky Springs, Lisbon, La., to First, Mont Belvieu, Tex.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Congressman Brooks Hays, of Little Rock, Ark., has accepted the post as chairman of the Christian Life Commission. He succeeds J. B. Weatherspoon, seminary professor of Louisville, Ky.

A law professor at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., will serve as vice-chairman. He is Paul Sanders. The Commission re-elected Executive Secretary A. C. Miller.

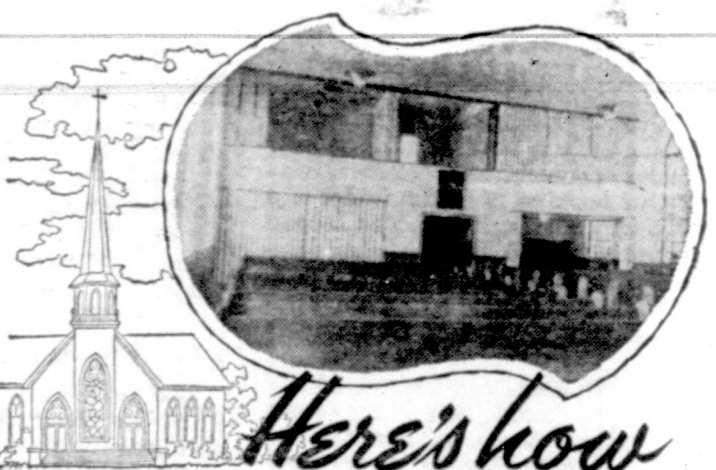
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Bethany Ordains Two As Deacons

Bethany Church (Oakland), Itawamba County, ordained two deacons on Sunday afternoon, July 17, at the 2:30 service. The following brethren composed the examining council: Deacons R. L. Senter, Melvin Steele, Aker Graham, J. E. Sandlin, and A. D. Graham from Trinity Church, and Deacon W. A. Thorne from Bethany, Pastor Victor Clayton and Missionary Patterson.

Deacon Aker Graham delivered the charge to the deacons and Rev. R. B. Patterson, Missionary, delivered the ordination message.

The two men to be set aside for the office, Arlie Graham and Bill Dillard, came forward for the "laying on of hands," after the ordination prayer which was led by Rev. Pat Howard.



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Daily Schedule

7:00 Good Morning!
7:25 Morning Watch
7:45 Breakfast
8:45 Methods Workshops
10:15 Recess
10:30 Special Interest Conferences
11:45 Morning Feature
Tuesday Message: Dr. Clyde Martin
Wednesday Adult Mission Story Feature
Friday Primary Story Time
Saturday Message: Dr. Dale Cowling
Notice: A portion of the Junior Memory Work Drill will be held each day. Juniors have been advised by Miss Neta Stewart of the Training Union Department of the date they will appear.

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Junior and Intermediate Leadership Miss Lois Tyler
Nursery, Beginner, Primary Leadership Miss Evelyn George

Personal Interest Conference

Adults and Young People Dr. J. M. Price
Intermediate I Miss Nell Magee
Intermediate II Mr. Frank Horton
Junior I Mrs. Taylor Howard
Junior II Mrs. J. C. Greenoe

From Iuka to Iowana

We welcome the report of a new Training Union in the Endville Baptist Church, Pontotoc Association. The new Training

Union director is Mrs. Roy Palmer of Belden with Mrs. Anthony McCord as associate director and Mrs. Millard Swinney as General Secretary.

Baptist Program To Print Big Issue

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)—The August issue of the Baptist Program, published by the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, is the largest ever to come off the presses.

The 44-page magazine will present all phases of constructing and equipping churches. The subjects will range from architecture to what kind of water coolers you should have.

50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By J. L. BOYD Sr.

50 Years Ago

The First Church, Jackson, recently licensed ("liberated") young Hendon M. Harris to preach, who goes soon to Gloster, as first assistant teacher in the High School.

40 Years Ago

The church at Long Beach, Harrison County, closed a meeting with 23 additions, 13 for baptism, in which Pastor J. R. McCordle was assisted by Evangelist E. S. P'Poole as preacher and Rev. Alex Hughes of Lucedale leader of song services.

25 Years Ago

The Bunker Hill Church, Marion County, "closed the most gracious revival the church has ever known" with 79 additions, "more than fifty for baptism." Pastor M. S. Varnado was assisted by Evangelist R. T. McLeod of Alabama.

Centerville Church, Jones County, closed their meeting with 22 additions, six for baptism. Pastor Wm. L. Compere did the preaching.

Mr. Lloyd B. Tanner of First Baptist Church, Vicksburg has read his daily Bible readings for three consecutive years and his Training Union director, Mr. Udelle Jones, has requested for him the Daily Bible Reader's Certificate. This is a wonderful achievement.

Under the direction of associational director Eldridge Ross the teaching team of the DeSoto Association held its first study course with the Gray's Creek Church last April. There was a total attendance of 140 studying the books on soul winning.

Parkway Training Union reports a standard organization during the quarter ending June 30, 1955, with seventeen out of twenty-four departments reporting standard. This is the second time this year the organization has attained standard recognition. The average enrollment April through June 1955 was 943. The average attendance for the same period was 593. Mr. Jesse Griffin is director.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Church	Erol.	Mission Off.	(Hinds)	Union (Union)	
Ted (Smith)	33	\$ 6.45	220	66	47.30
Woodlawn (Warren)	102	28.74	52		8.71
Tylertown (Walthall)	167	25.00	153		20.30
New Hope (Gulf Coast)	208	30.52	108		16.90
Corinth (Tallahatchie)	56	7.02	212		20.58
First, Waynesboro (Wayne)	215	34.72	73		9.13
Noxapater (Winston)	121	17.25	212		
Cascilla (Tallahatchie)	37	1.85	100		12.50
New Zion (Leake)	66	7.11	82		12.29
Harmony (Jones)	194	41.38	145		13.50
Campbell's (Simpson)	26	3.28	89		8.50
Brooklyn (Forrest)	112		40		6.59
First, Rosedale (Bolivar)	125		12		2.54
Hillcrest (Jones)	103	9.50	103		47.41
Good Hope (Panola)	59	15.39	27		3.88
Pleasant Grove (Chickasaw)	34	15.00	82		12.28
Georgetown (Copiah)	114	12.12	50		7.56
Trinity (Warren)	189	21.53	155		19.49
Raymond (Hinds)	122	25.09	64		4.25
Emmanuel (Hinds)	112	12.33	46		6.00
Seminary (Perry)	49	10.00	73		6.59
Beacon St. (Neshoba)	182	73.00	175		22.25
Oak Grove (Smith)	136	13.00	337		47.28
Edon (Jasper)	98	14.32	103		8.32
Gallman (Copiah)	61		58		6.25
Cherry Creek Mission School (Pontotoc)	80	6.47	71		10.00
Calvary (Leflore)	316	34.32	124		15.28
Ramah (Franklin)	55	8.22	59		6.30
Kassuth (Alcorn)	41	10.48	149		30.30
Belden (Lee)	141	16.26	59		14.00
Clarksdale (Riverside)	1286	89.76	27		12.81
Newhebron (Lawrence)	94	8.90	14		
Murphy Creek (Winston)	135	8.29	63		8.00
New Bethel (Carroll)	35	3.28	104		8.36
D'Lo (Simpson)	113	5.00	53		10.13
Liberty Grove (Itawamba)	22	3.00	47		3.15
Friendship (Jackson)	110	21.00	110		7.30
Center Grove (Lauderdale)	54	6.50	373		135.62
Mt. Olive (Lauderdale)	87	11.65	82		12.22
First, Yazoo (Yazoo)	353	55.69	129		25.04
Calvary (New Choctaw)	50	3.72	38		4.83
Temple (Lebanon)	178	37.50	42		3.00
Corinth (Jasper)	50	3.44			
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Sparks & Splinters

Charles Nail, young member of First Church, Grenada, 1955 high school graduate, has felt the call to preach and has been licensed by his home church. He plans to enter Mississippi College. Dr. John W. Landrum is the pastor.

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Dr. and Mrs. John A. Moore, Southern Baptist missionaries who have been stationed at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Switzerland, have been transferred to Yugoslavia. They have sailed for their field of service after a furlough in the States and may be addressed in care of Mrs. Brida, Ribnjak 4, Zagreb, Yugoslavia. Dr. Moore is a native of Clarksdale, and he and Mrs. Moore make their permanent American home in Tupelo.

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Dr. and Mrs. W. Wayne Logan, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, are now in the States on furlough and may be addressed at 731 North Wido-mere, Dallas, Tex. Both are natives of Mississippi. Dr. Logan of Calhoun County and Mrs. Logan of Wiggins. They make their permanent American home in Gulfport.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: John Robert Perkins, Bill Thomason, Linda Dunaway, Demar Jones, Janice Keith, Tommy Thomason, Linda Dunaway, Demar Jones, Janice Keith, Tommy Thomason, Ann Sanders, Billie Ruth Kelly, Jean Kelly, Barbara Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dunaway, Anguilla; Becky Ellis, Glenda Ellis, Floyd Sandifer, Jean Ellis, Mrs. A. A. Ellis, Cameta; Ned Knox, Natchez.

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Camp Crestridge For Girls, which opened for the first time last June 6, has begun its Second Session today with 93 campers and 29 staff members.

—BR—

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. Barney Thames, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Charles L. Phipps, Anderson, S. C.; Joe S. Johnson, Jr., Jackson, Rev. and Mrs. Quentin Perrault, Louisville, Kentucky.

—BR—

Alf Rose of Vicksburg, who presents "Gospel Messages in Magic" will be at the Bethel church in Lawrence county July 31.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Jimmy Coggin, Corinth; Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Pass, Delby and Barbara, Newton; Rev. H. C. Davis, Pelahatchie; Rev. John E. Miller, Clinton.

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The 10th annual session of the Southeastern Baptist Religious Education Association will meet at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, August 10-11, 1955. This organization is made up

To Join Staff At N. O. Seminary



Robert C. Buckner

Robert Cooke Buckner of Dallas, Texas, has been named to the post of Director of Public Relations of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. President Roland Q. Leavell has announced. He will succeed Dr. Joseph C. Clapp, August 1, 1955, who will join the faculty of Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina.

Mr. Buckner comes to his new position from sixteen years of experience in educational administration and promotion, serving eight years as religious education director in churches in Texas and Alabama and the latter eight years as religious education director at the Buckner Orphan's Home, Texas.

of those who are engaged vocationally in the field of Religious Education in our convention, east of the Mississippi River.

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Two members of Calvary Church, Greenville, plan to attend the Training Union Week at Ridgecrest August 4-10 and will be glad to share the car expenses with someone driving to that conference. Anyone desiring passengers may write to the Greenville church for further arrangements.

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Registration at the Golden Jubilee Baptist World Congress in London reached 8,500 with 3,600 delegates coming from the United States. Almost half the delegates are women. Delegates represented 60 countries. (BP)

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Perhaps you could go to the Holy Land in your imagination (if not physically) by reading the book WALKING WHERE JESUS WALKED, which is an account by Thomas Stockton Messer as he and two friends journeyed together through Palestine. They were thrilled as they walked along the Jordan River, climbed the hills of Galilee, preached in Bethlehem, prayed in Gethsemane, traversed the Mount of Olives, climbed Calvary, etc. Many pictures, as well as Biblical references are

East Howard, Biloxi Beats Summer Slump

The East Howard Church in Biloxi, through a mid-summer revival, planned visitation, and high attendance campaigns in both Sunday School and Training Union, has turned the usual "summer slump" into a "summer hump."

Rev. H. Fred Williams, the pastor, reports that their recent revival, conducted July 10-17, was attended by capacity crowds and was climaxed with record-breaking attendance on the last day. Sunday School attendance was 306, and Training Union, 172.

Twenty-two new members were added to the church, 13 by profession of faith. A large number of Christians rededicated their lives.

Cecil L. Harper, music and educational director of the church, led the congregational singing.

Financial receipts of the church during the summer months have exceeded the tithes and offerings of any previous months in the history of the church.

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Miss. Pastor Loses Missionary Father

Rev. Otis Pendleton Maddox, 81, Southern Baptist emeritus missionary to Brazil, died Sunday night, July 17, at Waco, Tex.

A native of Rockport, Ky., he held pastorates in Kentucky and Tennessee prior to his appointment to Brazil by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in 1905.

From 1906 to 1917 he was an evangelist in Rio de Janeiro and from 1918 to 1945 in Belo Horizonte. He helped to organize Rio Baptist College and the Baptist theological seminary in Rio. He was co-organizer and director of the Baptist school, Colegio Batista Mineiro, in Belo

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included in the chapters to give the reader the actual feeling of having also been to the Holy Land. Order from the author, Thomas S. Messer, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, for \$3.

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ST LUKE'S LIFE OF JESUS RETOLD IN MODERN LANGUAGE (The Macmillan Company, 60 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York, \$2.75) is translated in a beautiful and revealing way by G. Aiken Taylor, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, Louisiana. In retelling the story in modern, yet reverent new vitality and new understanding to the familiar passages. The language and style which he employs are exceptionally moving, yet entirely accurate. Arranged as a continuous story, without division into verse, his translation provides absorbing and inspiring reading. Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

Pastors' Group Dangerous Young Minister Declares

(17th Century Baptist Press)

BOSTON, November, 1633—(BP)—Preachers have become too powerful for their own good in New England, a young minister declared here last night in a forthright attack on pastors' conferences.

The charge was leveled by the controversial Roger Williams, Puritan minister who two years ago flayed a Boston congregation from the pulpit for their ties with the Church of England and then resigned as their pastor. Before he was forced to flee to America to escape persecution, Williams openly fought the Established Church in England.

"Ministers are so respected, and have so much moral authority over the people," Williams told the assembly of New England pastors, "that their joint decisions are influential almost to the point of law. So much power is dangerous."

A fearless leader in the fight for religious freedom both here and in England, Williams told his fellow preachers that he believed in the freedom of the individual congregation. He said he considered the power wielded by the pastors' conferences as a threat to that freedom.

"I will fight any power that tries to destroy religious liber-

Horizonte; and he was one of the leaders in organization of the Brazilian Baptist Convention.

In 1904 he was married to Effie Roe who died in 1950.

They are survived by seven children: Rev. John R. Maddox of Picayune; Mrs. Kathleen Maddox Pinto, Rev. Paul Judson Maddox, Rev. Otis Pendleton Maddox, Jr., Dr. Samuel Eaton Maddox, Dr. Azzie Daniel Maddox, M. D., and Mr. David Carroll Maddox.

ty," the minister declared.

Governor John Winthrop of Massachusetts said today that he is confident Williams' fears are unfounded. He pointed out that all New England ministers share the conviction that "no church or person can have power over another church, and pastors do not in their conferences attempt to exercise any such power."

In reply, Williams agreed with the governor that there has been no outright attempt to coerce the individual churches. It is the power now held by the assembled pastors and its potential danger which he fears.

"These fortnightly conferences may in time grow into a form of presbytery which could take away the liberty of the separate congregation," Williams explained.

The outspoken Puritan defended his position for more than an hour, quoting the Scriptures at length as he assailed the power of the pastors in conference. He reminded the ministerial group of the evils which have developed out of the ecclesiastical power in England under Bishop William Laud. It was Bishop Laud who sought to have Williams arrested for his attack on the Anglican Church, forcing him to sail for America.

A spokesman for the pastors defended the conferences by saying they are devoted to discussion of issues involving doctrine and practice in the churches and are more of a social gathering than a governing body. He added that the conferences had helped to preserve unity of action and policy among all New England churches.

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Grenada Church Seeks History

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GRENADA, MISS. is seeking information about its history. Due to two fires and generally inadequate records, there are periods of the church that we know almost nothing about.

We bring this to your attention, hoping you have something that will help us. The church was organized in 1838 by Elder Jas. G. Hall and we especially need minutes of the Yalobusha Association 1836-75 and information on these early pastors: Rev. S. S. Parr 1844-46; Rev. Matthew Lyon 1857-58; Rev. R. W. Merrill 1894-98; Rev. W. J. Robinson 1901-02; Rev. Wm. F. Roberts 1902-06.

We would also like to know something about Mrs. Dr. B. T. (Emma) Holcombe, who was principal of the Emma Mercer Institute, Grenada 1867-74 and who was Emma Mercer for whom the school was named, that later became Grenada College and owned by the Methodist Conference. We will take special care of anything you may lend us and will return it promptly. We hope to publish a volume of church history and we believe it's message will glorify God. Anything you contribute will strengthen this message. Please address any communication to J. B. Perry Jr., Box 1125, Grenada, Miss.

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Retreat Leaders



Sanford Jr. Bramwell

Pictured above are Mr. Sam Sanford, Jr., and Miss Frenchie Bramwell, BSU Directors for Louisiana Tech, Ruston, and Lamar Tech, Beaumont, Texas, respectively, who are to participate in the program of the State BSU Pre-School Retreat at Camp Garaywa August 13-14.

Registration fees (\$1.00 each) for all, and cost of the Retreat (\$4.80) for all except Local Presidents, Faculty Advisors, Pastors, Directors and State Council Members, are due in this office by August 10. Please be praying for a spiritually significant meeting.

Charles W. Powell, BSU Director, and Edith Taylor, BSU President, of Clarke; Marian Leavell, BSU Director, Ole Miss, and Joyce Simpson, BSU President, Blue Mountain, are the first to register.

OFF TO COLLEGE NEXT MONTH

Pastors and Home Churches, may we urge you to arrange a banquet, a rally, or a regular service some Wednesday or Sunday, during the month of August to give your college students a Christian sendoff shortly before they leave home for school.

In conjunction with the WMU, we are asking that each church send an information card (which we will furnish upon request) on each student to the BSU Director at any college in Miss. or outside Miss.

May we suggest that a subscription to the Baptist Record and to the Baptist Student

magazine be sent to each student?

In connection with your Off-to-College emphasis, we have some suggestions which we shall be happy to send upon request.

MISCELLANEA

Betty Graham, Miss. College, Summer Missionary in Oregon, reports having made 2 talks, had 5 personal conferences, visited 10 homes, helped to establish a mission, directed a Bible School and worked in two others in which 4 conversions and 17 rededications were made, during her first month's work.

Clay Gibson, Miss. College, Summer Missionary among his own people, the Choctaw Indians here in Miss., writes: "We had our first V.B.S. . . . enrolled 72, 1 rededication and 6 Catholic children attended. I . . . led the music at a Youth Revival . . . 2 decisions for baptism . . . in Scott County near Sebastopol in a . . . Bible School the attendance today was 43." In three Bible Schools during June, Bro. Gibson reported total offerings of \$13.52 for the Cooperative Program.

Don Manuel, Miss. College, reports the Youth-led Revivals in which he is participating this summer are in First Church, Greenwood; First Church, Brandon; Dry Creek (Winston Co.); Phoebe, and Adaton.

Ninety Baptists are enrolled in Blue Mountain's Summer School. Chermaine Mixon is summer BSU President. Visiting the County Home, presenting the program at a county youth rally, and community visitation have been among the activities.

Miss Jewel Hannah, BSU Director for William Carey College, writes from Nassau, Bahamas: "We're having 2 Bible Schools each day."

Rev. Fred McCaulley, of the Home Mission Board, writes: "Send us a tentmaker." He says that Southern Baptist pastors and missionaries in the Western and Great Lakes areas are pleading for public school teachers, nurses, doctors, surgeons, etc. who are active Baptists, willing to serve through our Southern Baptist churches and missions. If interested,

Columbus Mission Has Pastor



Rev. Don Sheffield, for past two years pastor at Verona, has accepted the call to become pastor of the newly - organized Columbus, First Church Mission, located in the Fairview Heights section.

The Mission has a full-time program and will begin worship in its new building Aug. 7.

The Rev. Mr. Sheffield, a native of Tampa, Fla., is a graduate of John Brown University and New Orleans Seminary.

He and Mrs. Sheffield have an eight month old daughter. Dr. S. R. Woodson is pastor of the sponsoring First Church.

write Bro. McCaulley, 161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

Pastor Bill Slaymaker, writes that Thad Cochran, Rt. 5, Jackson, song leader; Lynwood Porter, Rt. 2, Brookhaven, evangelist, and Charles Furr, Rt. 4, Brookhaven, pianist, made an excellent team in their Youth-led Revival at Union Hall Church recently.

Don Stewart, William Carey, Summer Missionary in Ohio, writes that Akron, Ohio, city of 250,000, does not have one Southern Baptist Church. During his first month's work he preached 6 times, had 23 personal conferences, visited 340 homes, helped take 2 religious censuses, taught in 2 Bible Schools, helped lead one person to Christ and one to rededicate his life, and distributed 150 tracts.

Local BSU workers would do well to buy extra issues of the coming Oct. issue of the Baptist Student. They sell for \$7.50 per 100 and would be excellent in the hands of freshmen, especially.

Essie Fay Johnson, Jones Junior, Summer Missionary among the Negroes in Miss., reports an attendance of about 68 in their first V.B.S. in Jackson; 296 in second in Hattiesburg; 67 at Shady Grove, near Hattiesburg. "It's a great work," she writes, "and much more needs to be done. God has certainly been with us and blessed us greatly."

Additional Spring Crusade Reports Bring Total Of 3131 Baptisms

TEXAS BAPTISTS IN ESSAY CONTEST

DALLAS, Tex. (RNS) — A \$1,000 journalism scholarship at a Texas Baptist college will be awarded to the Texas high school student submitting the best essay on "Christian Education and My Career."

The contest is sponsored by the Christian Education Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. It is open to any 1955 high school graduate or student who will be graduated during 1956.

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MAKE IT SIMPLE

By JAMES L. SULLIVAN
Executive Secretary
Baptist Sunday School Board

A message, whether written or spoken, can be too trite, but it can never be too simple. A study of the teachings of Jesus will show how he constantly referred to such things as sheep, fish, salt, bread, light, soil, and other common and familiar things. What he said was simple, but his messages were truly profound.

A message does not have to be complicated to be scholarly. Like every young preacher, I did not see or practice this principle in the early days of my ministry. Somehow I had gotten the idea that every message had to be prepared at the intellectual level of a seminary professor. I was too neglectful of the man who lacked even a high school education.

I learned my lesson when I was a college pastor. More than half of my deacons were Ph. D.'s. I felt that a scholarly presentation of every message was absolutely imperative. Consequently, I tried to arrange oratorical discourses filled with philosophy and psychology.

A private conversation with a professor of philosophy changed me once and for all. Feeling that I was not getting at the real spiritual needs of the congregation, I asked him in private conversation, "What kind of preaching really ministers to your needs?"

His answer was classic. He described his love for philosophy and scholarship and his delight in oratory. Then, looking me straight in the eye, he said, "But please, Jimmy, when I come to church, give me pot likker and cornbread."

Dr. John A. Broadus used to say, "Read Plato and preach to Negroes." In other words, he advised one to think deeply but to speak simply.

The heart yearnings of people cannot be fed on things that are beyond their understanding. They go away from church hungry if the message

Nine additional associations reporting Spring Crusade results bring the total number of baptisms for the Crusade in Mississippi to 3131, according to the figures released by W. R. Roberts, interim executive secretary-treasurer.

Thirty associations had reported for the first tabulation of results carried in the Baptist Record recently.

The nine additional reports came from Wayne, Pearl River, Newton, Franklin, Tippah, Marshall, Kemper, Warren and Yazoo, bringing to 39 the total number of reporting associations.

Other final results were: Additions by letter, 1886; by statement, 221, making grand total additions, 5156.

Other professions of faith, those not uniting with a church, 240; for special service, 136, and rededications, 6145.

is not spoken to the heart and soul. A preacher's skilled use of technological terms in a sermon will not guarantee that he is a success in the pulpit.

Oddly enough, it takes more preparation to preach a simple sermon that it does a complex one. Preachers are accustomed to thinking in theological terms. In preaching to the average person, however, theological thoughts must be translated into the simple language of the man of the streets.

It is urgent that we remember that the New Testament was written in the Koine and not in the classical Greek. That is the language of the marketplace instead of the language of the classroom.

Never should a preacher use words which are beyond understanding by a junior boy or girl in his congregation. There is no need for Baptists to chide others about holding their services in Latin if our own preachers speak in a language which is Greek to our people.

Just as our missionaries must translate their messages into the simple terms of the natives, so preachers must translate their messages into simple terms which are understandable by all. If they do not understand, they cannot practice. We do not send a missionary to China, then expect the Chinese to learn English.

Though it takes much work and preparation, it is possible to bring a message which at the same time is simple enough for the junior boy and profound enough for any doctor of philosophy. Heart needs are the same regardless of intellectual development. The preacher and writer must seek to proclaim messages which are understood and appreciated if they are to be lived.—A Baptist Press Feature

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The pastor had been out of town during the day and was lured to the church that night to attend a special meeting that had been planned.

In an impressive surprise service he was presented with the set.

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The College Association of Baptist Teachers of Religion will hold its twenty-eight annual meeting at Ridgecrest, August 30-31. The membership in the Association is composed of teachers of Religion in the

Baptist colleges and universities in the area of the Southern Baptist Convention. A general invitation is extended to seminary professors, teachers of Bible in academies and Bible schools, high school teachers of Bible, and interested pastors, to meet with the Association as visitors. Dr. Robert L. Dobson, chairman of the department of Bible and Religion, Wayland College, Plainview, Texas, is president. For further information write Professor E. C. Masden, secretary-treasurer of the Association, Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

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FOREVER TRIUMPHANT (Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, \$1.50) is written by Dr. F. J. Huegel, missionary in Mexico. "The Christian who in the evil day when the enemy attacks does not know how to stand in the strength of the Calvary victory and appropriate its full meaning and apply its glorious power, will surely find the enemy too much for him," Dr. Huegel points out. He shows through wise use of Scripture how victory is already available to the Christian. It is not something he must strive for. It is something he already has in Christ. Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

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VICKSBURG, Mich. — Some 200 persons of this agricultural community participated in a Christmas service in First Methodist church here. The Rev. George P. Stanford, pastor, who started the Yuletide services three summers ago, delivered the Christmas sermon.

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COLUMBUS, O. — A "war of amazing kindness" was proposed at the 43rd biennial convention of the International Society of Christian Endeavor here as a means of stemming the tide of Communism and preventing a world-wide atomic conflict.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
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GULF COAST ASSOCIATION PROMOTES GOOD CLINIC

June 20-23 was a good one for the Gulf Coast association because of a splendid program of Sunday school training and study that week in the Handsboro church.

Twenty-one of the thirty-two churches were represented that week in the classes, with a total enrollment of over 200.

Missionary O. B. Anderson, along with pastors, superintendents, educational directors and others, had done a good job of advertising the week's work and the results were very encouraging.

It was a full-scale department program, with a worker for each of the age-groups in a Sunday school, from the Cradle Roll through the Extension.

This type program is one of the most constructive an association can have, in that it gives opportunity for workers in the smaller churches to study, under the guidance of an experienced worker, the book that deals with the particular group or class in which that person works at home. The central school will not reach as many as the simultaneous, but it gives more specific help to the workers.

We are always grateful for such privileges as we had that week in the Gulf Coast association. We give thanks to all who helped make it such a fine week.

CAMPBELL'S CREEK RUNS HIGH

Campbell's Creek church, Simpson county, had its first Vacation Bible school. That is always an interesting time. Pastor J. E. Schollar and superintendent C. H. Wallace, with their people, had an excellent first school.

The enrollment was 26, average attendance, 25; cost, \$1.17.

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Commission Plans Bulletin, TV Script

RIDGECREST, N. C. — (BP)

The Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention announced plans here to present a television program and to publish a monthly bulletin.

In recognition of the service of J. B. Weatherspoon, who served as Commission chairman from 1942 until his term expired this year, the Commission will plan a special tribute.

Weatherspoon is a professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Another Southern Baptist agency, the Radio and Television Commission, will be called in to help the Commission prepare the TV script. The script will tell about the Christian Life Commission's work.

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Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

Preacher's Wife

Question: I have been married to a preacher for thirteen years and have three children by him. But I do not love him. He knows that as well as I do. I am a Christian. I would like to be a nurse and have worked in three hospitals. I definitely do not like to keep house, but what am I to do? Should I continue living with my husband or should I leave him and become a nurse.

Answer: We need Christian nurses and I think that it is a wonderful profession. Also I hate to see people live together in a loveless marriage. Perhaps with some help your marriage could be improved. If you are mature enough, you might learn to love him. I'm sure that he needs your love.

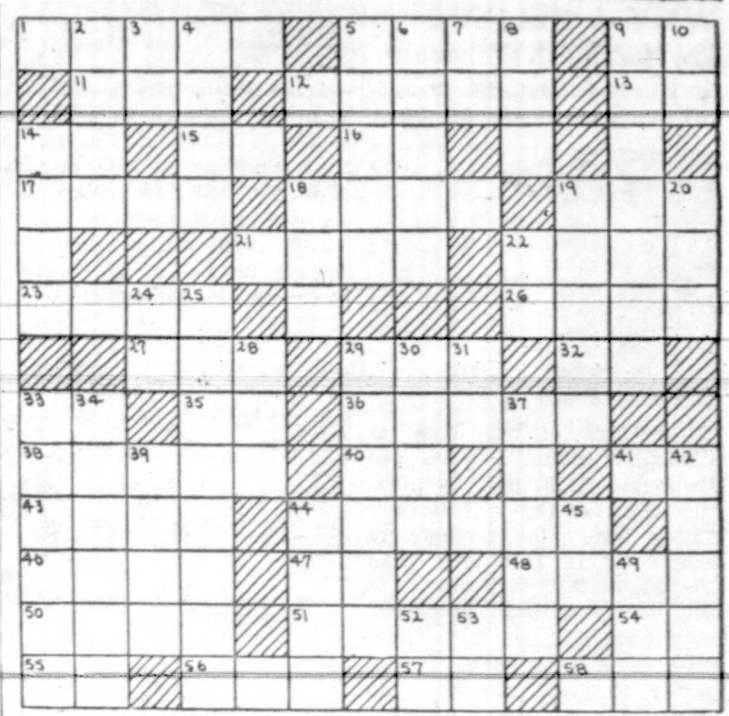
But it seems to me that you have too much involved to give up the ship. Your children deserve the security of at least not being saddled with the stigma of a broken home. Besides, what of your marriage vows? "For better or for worse" means something.

Quit debating leaving your

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Matthew 27

ACROSS

- Our text is 1, 5, 27, 29, 56, 57 and 58 combined.
- 1 "... this man was the Son of God" Mark 15:39
- 5 "Certainly ... was a righteous man" Luke 23:47
- 9 "will cause the sun to ... down at noon" Amos 8:9
- 11 A son of Gad Gen. 46:16
- 12 Hits hard
- 13 Second tone of the scale
- 14 Violin (abbr.)
- 15 "also women looking ..." Mark 15:40
- 16 To that extent
- 17 College in England
- 18 "and went into the holy ..." :53
- 19 "watching Jesus, ... the earthquake" :54
- 21 "and those things that were ..." :54
- 22 Ceremony
- 23 "darkness over the whole ..." Mark 15:33
- 26 Spindle on which a wheel revolves
- 27 "And the sun ... darkened" Luke 23:45
- 29 "from ... top to ... bottom" :51
- 32 Territory (abbr.)
- 33 Great Britain (abbr.)
- 35 New England State (abbr.)
- 36 "and the ... did quake" :51
- 38 "and the ... rent" :51
- 40 Mean variation (abbr.)
- 41 "he said, It ... finished" John 19:30

DOWN

- 43 Paradise (var.)
- 44 "And the graves were ..." :52
- 46 Base
- 47 Milliliter (abbr.)
- 48 City in Nevada
- 50 Snake-like fishes
- 51 Weird
- 54 Company (abbr.)
- 55 Statistical Society (abbr.)
- 56 Male child
- 57 "Mary the mother ... James and Joseph" :56
- 58 "he glorified ..." Luke 23:47
- 2 "veil of the temple was ..." Mark 15:38
- 3 Place Abram lived before going to Canaan Gen. 11:28
- 4 King of beasts
- 5 "was rent in ..." :51
- 6 Hurry
- 7 and 19 down "And ... was about the ... hour" Luke 23:44
- 8 Doctor of Sacred Scripture (abbr.)
- 9 "they feared ... , saying" :54
- 10 Old English (abbr.)
- 14 and 29 down "the ... of the ... was rent in the midst" Luke 23:45
- 18 Dove's call
- 19 See 7 down
- 20 Very small
- 22 Rear Admiral (abbr.)
- 24 Compass point
- 25 "there was ... over all the land" :45
- 28 Short for sister
- 29 See 14 down
- 30 Possess
- 31 Ancestor of Jesus Luke 3:28
- 33 "And came out of the ..." :53
- 34 "and many ... of the saints which slept arose" :52
- 37 "many women were ... beholding" :55
- 39 Very small apartment
- 42 "... afar off, beholding these things" Luke 23:49
- 44 Sign
- 45 Doctor of Entomology (abbr.)
- 49 Non-commissioned officer (abbr.)
- 52 Artificial language
- 53 Whether

WHY I BELIEVE IN BAPTISTS

By DUKE K. McCALL, President Southern Baptist Seminary



"By their fruits ye shall know them," said Jesus. This is why I believe in Baptists. They have produced fruit. They continue to produce fruit.

The fruit of that body of Christians called Baptists can be measured in part by statistics compiled by a historian: "They have the strength of numbers. In 1800 they had 100,000. In 1850 they were 815,000. In 1900 they numbered over 5,000,000. In 1954, 17,000,000. That represents power, power to grow, power to do things" (p. 54, *The Baptists*, Frank S. Mead, Broadman Press).

But size and power can belong to God, man, or devil. Therefore it is important to ask the historian to examine the roots from which this tree has grown. The same historian, Frank S. Mead, who is not a Baptist, comments, "We can trace their history more readily in the bloody footprints of their martyrs than in the ink of their historians. We have tried to shame them by whipping them, and they have made us ashamed of our whipping posts. . . . Addleheaded world! You tried to stamp them out and all you got for it was to have them leave their stamp on you?" (p. 55, *ibid.*)

COURT DELAYS CHURCH BUILDING

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. —(BP)

—Terrell Hills Baptist Church here has appealed to a higher court an order preventing it from building a new church plant. The building project had already begun when the court issued an injunction which residents near the church site had asked in their suit.

ed of our whipping posts. . . . Addleheaded world! You tried to stamp them out and all you got for it was to have them leave their stamp on you? (p. 55, *ibid.*)

But even historical origins are not enough. I believe in Baptists because of Baptist faith in the power of God, the integrity of the Bible, and the spiritual capacity of human nature. Baptists have assumed that God has spoken in the Bible and that he can implement the truth there revealed in the minds and hearts of ordinary people. Thus Baptists have left the human soul unfettered by ecclesiastical organization or institutional forms or creedal statements.

Baptists have made mistakes. Baptists will make mistakes, but just as the compass needle, despite its quivering, will come to rest at last pointing toward the magnetic North Pole, unless hindered by outside forces, so will Baptists in their spiritual freedom ultimately find and follow the will of God.

Greenwood First Has Youth Meet

First Church, Greenwood, has recently experienced one of its most outstanding Youth-led Revivals with four professions of faith, three additions by letter, thirty-two rededications, and seven coming for definite Christian service. Young people coming for definite Christian service are Tommy Austin, Ednita Gifflespie, Billy Heinrich, Cynthia Heritage, Roy Meeks, Dorothy Jean Parker, and Jackie Whitten.

The youth team leading the revival was composed of Don Manuel, preacher from Mississippi College; Hap Worsham, song leader from Mississippi College; Mary L/z Cullums, pianist from Blue Mountain College; and Jean Pittman, organist from Mississippi College. Jake Pittman served as chairman of the Steering Committee in his church.

Dr. J. H. Kyzar is pastor.

NEW BAPTIST BUILDING UNDER WAY IN RALEIGH

RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — Southern Baptists here broke ground July 6 for their new Baptist Building.

The new office building, costing about \$602,000 counting the amount paid for the lot, will bring together all state Baptist convention offices. They are now located in four different buildings.

Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

JOEL RAY, Royal Ambassador Secretary

ROBERTA CROWELL and BETTY JO RAY, Secretaries

JOINS BROTHERHOOD STAFF



ROBERTA CROWELL

The Brotherhood Department is happy to announce that Miss Roberta Crowell of Woodland, Mississippi, has been employed as Office Secretary in the Brotherhood Department at the Baptist Headquarters.

Miss Crowell comes to us from William Carey College in Hattiesburg and has a splendid record. She has already won

The new structure will have four stories and a basement. Estimated completion date is Sept. 1, 1956.

the friendship of all the workers in the Baptist Building and is learning the work of the Brotherhood Department very rapidly. Her fine spirit of cooperation, loyalty, and friendship is outstanding and she will certainly make a splendid contribution to our Brotherhood Work in Mississippi.

You are cordially invited to visit the Brotherhood Department in the Baptist Building when you are in Jackson and meet Miss Crowell. She will be happy to serve you in the area of our Brotherhood work in every way possible.

Miss Crowell succeeds Miss Jo Ann Summers who is now serving as secretary to Dr. Quarles.

SOMETHING NEW

The First Baptist Church, Gulfport, Mississippi, has just had something new — a Brotherhood Focus Week which was held June 19-26. On Tuesday evening, June 21, the regular monthly meeting was held. Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson, brought the message and 84 men attended this meeting. The present enrollment is 60. On Sunday, June 26, Mr. Jerry Clower spoke from the pulpit on the Brotherhood.

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DR. CAUTHEN STRESSES NEED FOR RELIEF MONEY

"The attention of Southern Baptists needs to be called to the fact that relief funds have declined so sharply that we will soon be unable to meet the requests that come from needy areas," Executive Secretary Baker James Cauthen told the Foreign Mission Board in its July meeting.

"From time to time the Southern Baptist Mission in Korea requests that we make as much as \$10,000 available for the relief of need which can hardly be overstated. We have been able up to this point to respond to every call for relief; but unless additional money for relief comes in immediately, we will not be in a position to meet the next call that comes."

Treasurer Everett L. Deane reported that as of June 30 the Foreign Mission Board had available for relief appropriation a balance of only \$7,932.98. Southern Baptists gave \$21,712 for world relief during the first six months of 1955, an amount considerably less than that given for the same period last year.

The Foreign Mission Board has repeated calls for relief from Korea, Hong Kong, and the Near East. Also, from time to time, there are emergency calls from other areas of the world. "We do hope Southern Baptists will help us to continue the ministry of relief; but this can be done only as funds for world relief are made available to the Foreign Mission Board," Dr. Cauthen said.

The Relief Committee

The Relief Committee is a Southern Baptist Convention committee which dates back to 1946 when the Convention asked the Foreign Mission Board to take over the distribution of relief funds. Formerly Southern Baptist relief activity had

been headed by Dr. Louie D. Newton and the late Dr. George W. Truett.

Then in 1946 when the Convention began a major relief campaign to relieve suffering following World War II, the Foreign Mission Board, because of its knowledge of world conditions and its representatives in foreign countries, was asked to take over the responsibility of distributing funds.

The relief program of Southern Baptists is administered from this fund which is made up of special gifts from individuals and churches. Dr. George W. Sadler, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, is chairman of the Relief Committee.

Money for relief should be addressed as follows: Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C., P. O. Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va. Clearly indicate that the money is for world relief.

Attend World Congress

Dr. and Mrs. Baker James Cauthen left Richmond immediately following the July meeting of the Board to attend the 50th anniversary meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London, July 16-22. Dr. Cauthen is a member of the executive committee of the Alliance which is in session prior to the jubilee celebration.

Following the Alliance meeting, Dr. Cauthen and Dr. George W. Sadler will visit the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland, and will confer with Southern Baptist missionaries in Italy and in Spain. Dr. and Mrs. Sadler left the States on July 6.

Other members of the Foreign Mission Board staff attending the London meeting are Miss Edna Frances Dawkins, assistant secretary for missionary personnel, and Dr. Rogers

Dye To Lead Revival



Rev. George Dye

Ogden Church of Yazoo County Association will begin a revival Sunday August 7. Rev. George Dye, pastor of the Adair Church, Starkville and 1955 graduate of Mississippi College, will be the visiting evangelist. Morning and evening services will continue through Friday, with the pastor, Rev. H. E. Inman, leading the singing.

M. Smith, associate secretary for promotion. Miss Dawkins left the States in May to visit mission fields in Europe, Africa, and the Near East. Dr. Smith has been conducting a tour through Europe and the Near East during the past several weeks.

Barbara Cheshire Fund

The Foreign Mission Board has received a gift of \$1,715 from staff doctors, board of directors, and other employees of the Baptist Hospital in Pensacola, Fla., designated for the establishment of the "Barbara Cheshire Memorial Loan Fund."

The fund is in memory of Mrs. John Bell Cheshire, Jr., formerly Barbara Horne, who died April 10 this year, just one month before she and her husband were to have been appointed missionaries to Malaya. She died in the Pensacola hospital following surgery. Mr. Cheshire is hospital chaplain.

The money will operate as a revolving loan fund, the principal being loaned to selected first-year medical students preparing for missionary service. Medical Work in Hong Kong

Dr. Samuel G. Rankin, Southern Baptist medical missionary of the China staff, has passed the Canadian medical examinations which will enable him to secure a license for practicing in Hong Kong, British crown colony. He and Mrs. Rankin, formerly Miriam Thomas, will soon be leaving the States for Hong Kong where Dr. Rankin will assist in a medical program being started in connection with the Hong Kong Baptist Association.

Challenge of Cities

The July report of Dr. J.

What The Southern Baptist Program Of Evangelism Has Done For Maryland

By CLIFTON C. THOMAS
Executive Secretary of
Maryland

Words are inadequate to evaluate the contribution that the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism has made to the Baptist cause in Maryland. Being a minority group has always made it difficult to get publicity concerning the work of our churches. In fact, the majority of the people of the state, prior to the launching of the first crusade, knew little or nothing about Baptists. Revivals among other groups were practically

unheard of. When the first crusade was announced in Maryland, a high school girl approached a pastor's daughter and asked what was meant by "Baptist Revival," and why was it necessary for a church to have a revival?

When the newspapers, radio, and television learned of the united effort on the part of a denomination numbering nearly 8,000,000 people, with practically 29,000 churches, they immediately began to make room in their crowded schedule for publicity concerning the crusade in Maryland. We had free time allotted us on radio and television, wonderful space in the newspapers, reduced rental for space in the vehicles of the Baltimore Transit Company, and 500 taxicabs carried the bumper sign "Baptist Revivals" during the two weeks. Each year since the first crusade we have found increasing willingness on the part of the above mentioned avenues of publicity to give us full cooperation.

In 1938 there were 99 churches in Maryland, baptizing 1,045, with a total membership of 21,195. During the eight years following 1938, Maryland Baptists baptized a total of 8,413 people. In 1947 there were 94 Baptist churches in Maryland, baptizing 1,132 people, reporting a total membership of 27,367. From 1947 through 1954, there were 13,430 people baptized into the membership of the Baptist churches in Maryland. Since 1952 there have been baptized into the membership of the churches of Maryland, 6,546, or an average of 2,182 per year. We now have 129 churches with a membership of 37,201. During the recent simultaneous evangelistic crusade, 99 of the 129 churches reported 1,441 received for baptism and 402 by letter, or a total of 1,843 members received into the churches during the period of the crusade.

We believe that the simultaneous evangelistic crusade has helped materially in closing the door through which many of the new members previously drifted out into indifference, thus depriving the church of their service and Christian testimony. A vital part of the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism is a program on orientation of new members. Our pastors in Maryland have taken advantage of this training period and have used extensively the book by Dr. James L. Sullivan, YOUR LIFE AND YOUR CHURCH. We are persuaded there is no better orientation program than the one found in this book. No evangelistic program is complete until the evangelized have been enlisted in winning others to Christ. The Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism is helping Maryland Baptists to accomplish this desired goal.

Historical Group Meets At Glorieta

The Historical Commission announces conferences to be led by Dr. W. W. Barnes at Glorieta August 18-24 are on the general subject of Five Crisis in the Life of Southern Baptists. They are:

The Crisis of Campbellism; The Crisis of Anti-Missionism; The Crisis over Methods; The Crisis of Landmarkism; The Crisis of 1865-1895.

Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, said Southern Baptists face a special challenge in the leading cities of Asia. "We are now carrying on mission work in 12 great cities in the Orient, each of them larger than any city in our Southland," Dr. Crawley said. "The smaller of them have over a million people, roughly equal to the greater Houston metropolitan area. They range in size on up to Tokyo, which ranks with London and New York as the largest cities of the world."

"The major cities of the Far East are the centers of economic, political, educational, and cultural life for their nations. An adequate witness for Christ in each of these cities is of vital importance for the evangelization of the nations of the Orient . . .

"Probably our best immediate opportunity for reinforcing our approach to the great cities of Asia would be through an extension of student work. Each of the large cities is an educational center. In many cases, there are several state or private universities. A student center approach offers rich possibilities not only for evangelism, but also for the development of future Baptist leadership in those countries. For some time most of our Orient Missions have been calling for new missionaries, specially trained and experienced in student work to take advantage of the rich opportunities. The need is particularly acute for couples who could conduct a well-rounded student center program.

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Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

THE PEOPLE LEFT IN JUDAH

Scripture Text: Jeremiah 40-44

Introduction

How often have we heard it said of a given man that his word is his bond. We have all known, more or less well, men whose word no man relied on, and then, by pleasing and splendid contrast, men who would make a promise and keep it. Of such men, our Father David said, "He swearth to his own hurt and changeth not." Whether it is an individual or a nation, they who make themselves a reputation for steadfastness or unsteadiness of character will become known as of one type or the other.

Of such was the deacon who went away from home to work in a neighboring city and so far departed from the accustomed path of a consistent Christian man that his new found acquaintances could not believe that he was a Christian at all. Of such character on the other hand was and is any consistent dependable man who, having moved into a new community, need not advertise the fact of his piety but simply needs to live consistently until people associate his name with the stable, the steadfast, the unwavering.

Here was the land of Judah, populated by a people whose forefathers God had chosen to be the founders of His peculiar people, who, through generations of loose living and lip service to God, had become creatures of their own making and were no longer capable of living true to their pledged word.

I. GEDALIAH

This word names the last son of David who had any part in the government of the Jewish people. Gedaliah was appointed governor of the Jews by the edict of a benevolent conqueror and enlightened monarch. Upon the conquest of Jerusalem and the deportation of many thousands of its people to Babylon, King Nebuchadnezzar appointed Gedaliah to be governor of the Jews left in their homeland. Gedaliah established himself at Mizpah a few miles north of Jerusalem on the boundary of the little territory of Benjamin.

Associated with him as counselor and friend was the greatest man left among the Jewish people. He was Jeremiah the prophet, the mouthpiece of God, the spokesman for the eternal. We do not know just what advice he gave Gedaliah in the matter so closely affecting him. Gedaliah was warned that there was a plot against his life. He refused to heed the warning and was the vic-

tim of an assassin. There were only a few men engaged in the plot against the governor's life but the whole bulk of the people felt that they might be punished by Nebuchadnezzar for the death of Gedaliah.

II. THE PROMISE

A band of the people, including almost all of those left, gathered themselves and started a journey to Egypt. At Bethlehem, the leaders of the people came to Jeremiah with a passionate request that he tell them the will of God for them, and promising Jeremiah that they would obey the will of God whether that be pleasant for them or unpleasant.

Jeremiah's word from Jehovah to this remnant of the people was explicit, unequivocal. It was the will of God for them to remain in the land of Judah, to remain loyal to the Babylonian government and to give themselves wholly to rebuilding their homes and their homeland under the immediate protection of Nebuchadnezzar and the more certain protection of the Almighty. And all this they solemnly swore to do.

III. THE REPUDIATION

But the men who swore before God and Jeremiah were men who, through generations, had become unstable in all their ways. After thinking things over, they came to Jeremiah and declared that they did not believe that Jehovah had spoken to him. Forgetful of their earlier vow of loyalty to the Lord they took up the line of their march into Egypt carrying with them, as we are told, the old preacher Jeremiah as a sort of prisoner. They came in the course of their migration to their very portion of Egypt whence Moses had led their fathers in the long ago, the lush land of Goshen. They began here at once to practice the heathen religion of the people of Egypt and the pagans by whom they had been debased in the land of promise.

They took their view that the heathen Gods had blessed them and that in their life of service to Jehovah they had undergone innumerable hardships and had lived lives of misery and poverty. Here in the land of their self-imposed exile they boldly threw off all restraint and openly repudiated the God of their fathers.

We are told that the men did this after their wives had embraced the religion of the heathen Gods and Goddesses worshipped by the Canaanites and the Egyptians. This assertion in the narrative might raise the question as to which of the sexes should take the lead in the religious life of a people. Is it true that, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," or is it true that the governance of the world in every department is

Licensed To Preach



Bill Stewart, son of Senator and Mrs. Kenneth Stewart, of Gillsburg, was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Gillsburg Church on July 17. He was the valedictorian of the 1955 graduating class of the Gillsburg High School, a Mission volunteer, and enters Mississippi College this fall. D. T. Evans is the Pastor.

shaped by the hands of strong and resolute men?

Does the Bible anywhere rest the responsibility for the religious life of the family or the tribe upon the shoulders of its womanhood or is it true that the Bible from the first verse in Genesis to the last "Amen!" of Revelation affirm the responsibility of the men as the head of the house for the life of the home and the manhood of the state for the moral life of the community. In Goshen, during the exile, the manhood of the community allowed the capricious and temperamental womanhood of the community to lead the people into ruin.

IV. THE WORTH OF A FAITHFUL MAN

In the midst of their unworthiness shines as a star in the midst of darkness the single-hearted faithfulness of Jeremiah. He is the example of a preacher who preached all his life long without making a single convert. So far as the record goes, no man who ever heard him, or women either, faithfully accepted his word and shaped life and action by it.

Tradition tells us that his countrymen murdered him in Goshen and thus the good man perished. PERISHED! Nay, he was the only man of all the multitude among whom he lived, who in any large measure, lives today. He stood and spoke for God and his Master has set him among the immortals. He wrote his message in a life of faith and God has set it among the words that never die.

Children's Page

The Thorn-Tree Legend

By EDNA EWING KELLEY

There is an old legend in Germany about a thorn-tree that once grew in a dense forest. It was a strong, sturdy tree and nobody troubled it. But one day it became discontented.

"Why should I have hard, ugly thorns instead of leaves?" the tree complained "I wish I had leaves of gold on my branches."

The next morning the tree found itself covered with leaves of gold, shining splendidly in the sun. It laughed for joy.

But a robber passed that way and greedily plucked every leaf. "Oh, dear!" cried the tree, stripped and bare, "I wish I had asked for leaves of glass."

And the next morning when the sun shone the tree was covered with tinkling leaves of glass that made a dazzling sight. It clapped its hands for joy.

But a storm came up and crushed the glass leaves into fragments.

"Oh, dear!" cried the shattered tree, "I wish I had leaves of green like other trees."

The next morning the tree was covered with leaves so fresh and green that they made a tempting sight. It shouted for joy. Then a herd of goats strolled by and nibbled every green leaf.

"Oh, dear!" cried the naked tree, "if only I had my thorns back again! Robbers don't touch them. Storms can't break them. Goats won't eat them. They are better than leaves for me."

My Favorite Bible Verse

I. By Miss Florence Wiggins, Lauderdale

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8)

II. Miss Juanita McCarver, Pontotoc

"I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me." (John 14:6)

III. By Mrs. J. M. Johnston, Quitman

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16)

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The next morning when the thorn-tree was again covered with thorns, it sighed happily. It was content at last with what God had given it.

"The Thorn-Tree," is from the book, *Shining Armor*, by Edna Ewing Kelley.

WAKING AT NIGHT

By Blossom Bennett

This morning very early and before the light of dawn, I heard two crickets chirping gaily somewhere on the lawn; A mockingbird was singing clear; the stars were very bright;

And I was glad to know God's care is with me through the night.

Why should I fear the darkness as some children seem to do? For He who made the sunny hours has made the night-time, too.

And though I may be awakened by some unknown sound I hear,

The night wind whispers tenderly, "God loves you still, my dear."

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DUCKS

By Grace Noll Crowell

Our ducks, when they walk, waddle and quack, They leave the funniest flat-footed track, But swimming, they make up for what they lack.

They are beautiful then—they float with the breeze, With less fuss and feathers than boats on the seas, A duck in the water is much at its ease.

Their colors are blue and speckled brown, And there in the water—upside down,

Seems to be ducks that never do drown!

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100-Bed Hospital Is Dedicated In Kyoto, Japan

In historic ceremonies, the new, quarter-million-dollar Japan Baptist Hospital was dedicated July 12.

The opening of the four-story, 100-bed general hospital officially launched Southern Baptists' first medical work in Japan. Kyoto, site of the medical center, is halfway between Tokyo and Fukuoka.

National Baptist leaders, missionaries, and state and civic officials joined in the dedication ceremonies held in the hospital chapel. Greetings were read from Southern Baptist leaders in America and from numerous Japanese medical groups.

Speaking to an overflow crowd, A. L. Gillespie, chairman of the Japan Baptist Mission, said "it is not enough to heal men's bodies; we must heal men's minds and souls through an evangelistic hospital ministry in Japan."

Hospital Trustee Chairman Kiyoki Yuya, pastor of Tokyo's Mejiro Church, delivered the dedication sermon. Expressing gratitude to eight million Southern Baptists in America for the modern hospital, he stressed the fact that the hospital is "not an American institution, but a hospital for all Japan to heal and help the Japanese people."

The Japan Baptist Hospital is one of the largest and most modern hospitals in Japan. Seven doctors (four American, three Japanese) will serve in departments of surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics and medicine, dermatology, and urology. Later, departments of eye, ear, nose, and throat and dentistry are planned; and a school of nursing is anticipated within two years. The present hospital staff, including doctors and nurses, is 50.

PINE GROVE REVIVAL

"Pine Grove Church of Simpson County will hold a revival July 31-Aug. 5.

Rev. Joe H. Royalty, a Mississippian, pastor of Hayne Church of Spartanburg, S. C. will be the evangelist. The pastor is Rev. Jerry Slonaker.

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HENRY WHITE LICENSED



Henry E. White, of Natchez, recently surrendered to the ministry, and was licensed by the Calvary Church, Natchez, on July 17. Rev. D. L. Callender is the pastor.

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Escatawpa Baptist Church under the leadership of Director W. A. Grierson and Pastor Ralph Young enrolled 105 during a Training Union Enlargement Campaign, July 10-17. There was an average attendance of 73. Faculty members included Mrs. G. L. Bond and Mrs. Norris Faggard of Moss Point; Mrs. Prentiss Nelson of the Escatawpa Church; and Miss Louise Hill of the Training Union department. Mrs. Doris Weeks was chairman of the refreshment committee.

Pastor Howard Taylor has led both of his churches (Double Springs and Mt. Vernon, Zion Association) in the observance of Youth Week this year. Congratulations to this fine young pastor.

"They surprised the adults with their ability to take responsibility; writes Pastor E. C. Wheeler, Eden Church, Yazoo Association, regarding the first Youth Week the church has observed. Seventeen young people were given offices during the week.

A profession of faith, an addition by letter and a rededication of life highlighted Sunday services during Youth Week at Goodwater Church, Simpson Association, according to C. B. Saucier, Pastor. Speakers for these services were Kenneth Flynt of Mt. Olive and Aldie Saucier.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

July 24, 1955

Jackson:		
Daniel	630	268
Van Winkle	527	243
Ridgecrest	326	102
West Jackson	396	173
Broadmoor	475	155
Edwards	93	47
Calvary	1413	403
Main	1362	370
Mission	51	33
Parkway	987	445
Northside	483	176
Crestwood	490	247
Laurel, First	591	189
Hattiesburg:		
Main Street	952	386
Mission	33	
Briar Hill (Rankin) ..	95	43
Flowood	83	51
Paul Truitt		
(Rankin)	178	108
Flowood	83	51
Paul Truitt (Rankin) ..	178	108
Byram (Hinds)	227	143
Clinton	435	160
Mt. Creek (Rankin) ..	84	52
Jackson, Southside ..	314	171
Newton, First	441	176
Pilgrim's Rest		
(Copiah)	94	86
Murphy Creek		
(Winston)	137	91
Calhoun City, First ..	299	128
Hornlake	182	95
Petal-Harvey	399	153
Harvey	32	
Richton Road	28	14
Kosciusko, First	795	221
Main	770	
Maple Mission	25	
Calvary (Alcorn)	92	67
Clarksdale, Oakhurst ..	485	106
Brookhaven, First	691	172
Crystal Springs,		
First	651	201
Sharon, First (Jones) ..	140	93
Bethel (Rankin)	49	25
Meridian, Poplar		
Springs Drive	465	203
Long Beach, First	274	87
Bethel (Pearl River) ..	181	117
Clarksdale	398	123
Batesville, First	424	154
Bethlehem (Jones)	177	107
Columbia, First	722	250
Main	652	196
S. Columbia	70	54
Mt. Pleasant,		
(Lincoln)	94	72
Morton	271	91
Biloxi, East Howard	230	117
Fair River (Lincoln) ..	127	71
Gillsburg	162	133
Bunker Hill (Marion) ..	206	141
Wayside	61	55
Brookhaven, Central ..	105	52
Gulphort, First	865	269
Leesburg (Rankin)	165	142
Spanish Fort	31	21
Meridian, Southside ..	470	193
Laurel, Second Ave.	448	143
Crowder	189	92
Ruth	77	70
Laurel, Wildwood	196	72
Soso, First	158	95
Picayune, First	587	178
Vicksburg, First	554	158
New Sight (Lincoln) ..	134	70
Laurel, Highland	186	121
Gulfport, Grace		
Memorial	205	60
Marks, First	223	73
Hattiesburg, Temple	528	160
Stonewall	197	93
Grenada	756	185

Medical Arts ...

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The building is now approximately 45 per cent complete, according to W. Wilson Turner, administrator, and is entirely separate and apart from the expansion and improvement program of the hospital itself, now also underway, added Mr. Turner.

The Medical center when complete will be modern and complete in every way. It will have six stories and a basement and be connected with the hospital by way of a tunnel under State Street.

The street level floor will be rented to commercial users and the remaining five stories will be rented to physicians and dentists. The structure, fully air-conditioned, will cost \$1,337,000. To the rear is a paved parking area to accommodate 300 cars.

The program for construction of the Medical Arts building was presented to and approved by the Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1953.

Permission was given the Board of Trustees of the hospital to negotiate a loan to finance the construction of the building. The building is to be 100 per cent self-liquidating.

Hattiesburg:		
38th Avenue	199	82
Cross Roads		
(Rankin)	30	48
Hernando	138	78
Pelahatchie	165	79
Charleston, First	419	145
Friendship (Jackson) ..	93	74
Concord (Choctaw)	122	81
Mt. Pleasant		
(Holmes)	44	35
East Philadelphia	115	106
New Albany, First	470	179
Main	432	142
North Side		
Mission	38	37
Jackson, Alta Woods	608	246
Cleveland, Immanuel	166	108
Pascagoula, First	785	226
Main	599	151
McArthur Chapel	86	
Orange Grove		
Chapel	100	75
Pocahontas	46	

July 17, 1955

Meridian, Eastview ..	193	104
Jackson, Southside ..	293	159
Macedonia (Lincoln) ..	302	115
Union, Sr. (Covington) ..	104	111
Jackson, Broadmoor ..	520	151
Louisville, West End ..	82	62
Charleston, First	367	162
Vicksburg, First	583	142
Meridian:		
Poplar Springs	456	186
Laurel, Highland ..	219	107
Pleasant Ridge		
(Holmes)	56	46
Bethel (Pearl River) ..	162	91
Corinth, Tate Street ..	227	68
Wheeler Grove		
(Alcorn)	164	144
Laurel, Second Avenue ..	460	161
Cleveland, First	469	92
Main School	430	
Chinese Mission ..	39	
Lucedale	423	171
Picayune, First	583	139
Greenwood, Calvary ..	485	182

The building is 400 percent financed and required no hospital funds. The indebtedness will be retired entirely from rentals in the building. No funds from the hospital will be required either to retire the indebtedness or operate the building.

The loan is to be repaid from revenues received from rental of the commercial and office space in the building. It is expected that the loan will be retired in 25 years. No difficulty was experienced in obtaining the necessary financing.

When the indebtedness on the building has been retired, the revenue from rentals will be used to support the work of the hospital.

Signed leases and commitments already secured represent 80 per cent of the available floor space. It is expected that the building will be fully leased by the time it is completed.

Emphasizing again that the Medical Arts Building project is entirely separate from the expansion and improvement program of the hospital itself, Rev. J. B. Parker, hospital chaplain and director, was quick to provide the following facts:

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital Building Fund Campaign was approved by the Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1954. It was proposed that one Million dollars be raised for capital additions and improvements at the hospital. Of this amount, \$500,000 was to be raised in Jackson and Hinds County. The remaining \$500,000 was to be raised among the Baptist Churches of the state.

The money secured through this campaign is to be used for the following:

1. Complete construction and equipping of three floors and basement of Simmons Addition.
2. Construct new central kitchen and eating facilities.
3. Install a laundry for the hospital's linen requirements.
4. Air condition and modernize five floors of older buildings.
5. Install additional X-ray and laboratory equipment.

Status: The campaign for Jackson-Hinds County is assured of reaching the \$500,000 goal. To date, 97.8 per cent of the amount has been pledged and workers are still following up on prospects to get the remaining funds.

The state-wide effort has been making good progress. Latest figures show 377 churches reporting an indicated total of \$280,076. This is approximately 22 per cent of the churches reporting.

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used by the churches have been mailed to the chairmen.

Enthusiastic reports from the chairmen have been received as to plans underway now. Several have indicated that 100 per cent of their churches will be enlisted to participate.

Church and Denomination Night is a one-night stewardship meeting scheduled to be held in every church in the Southern Baptist Convention one night during September or October.

In most associations a one, two, or three week period is being set apart during which time every church will observe the night.

The more than 60 active stewardship chairmen are listed below. In five associations where there is no reported stewardship chairman the moderator is listed:

Alcorn—Levi Ayers, Kossuth; Attala, G. L. Myrich, Kocisusko; Benton, Oscar Bumpass, Hickory Flat; Bolivar, Bob Crosby, Cleveland; Calhoun, Rev. Clarence Cutrell, Calhoun City; Carroll, B. A. Cooper, Carrollton; Chickasaw, Merle Graham, Okolona; Choctaw, Rev. A. R. Smith, (moderator) Mathiston; Clarke, Rev. Aubrey Moore, Shubuta; Clay, Rev. James Richardson, West Point; Copiah, Rev. M. L. Douglas (Moderator), Wesson; Covington, Rev. Byron E. Mathis, Seminary; DeSoto, Rev. A. L. Goodson (Moderator) Olive Branch; Franklin, Dr. Otis Jones, Bude; George, Rev. U. G. Salter, Lucedale; Greene, Rev. Wayne F. Hart, Leakesville; Grenada, Dr. John W. Landrum, Grenada; Gulf Coast, Rev. Glen Dismukes, Handsboro; Hinds, Dr. W. Henry Crouch, Jackson; Holmes, Rev. P. D. Bragg, Lexington.

Humphreys, Rev. H. V. Hardin, Belzoni; Itawamba, Rev. Guy Graham, Guntown; Jackson, Dr. T. J. Delaughter, Pascagoula; Jasper, Rev. Arlis Brewer, Stringer; Jeff-Davis, Dr. L. E. Green, Prentiss; Jones, Rev. G. E. Wells, Laurel; Kemper, Rev. Barney Lopusser, DeKalb; Lafayette, Rev. W. W. Clark, University; Lamar, Rev. Earnest Steelman, Sumrall; Lauderdale, Rev. W. E. Speed, Meridian.

Lawrence, Rev. R. E. Jones, Monticello; Leake, Rev. A. A. Ward, Carthage; Lebanon, Rev. W. G. Grafton, Hattiesburg; Lee, Rev. Silas Johnson, Plantersville; Leflore, Rev. Marcus Alexander (Moderator), Schlatter; Lincoln, Dr. W. T. Waring, Brookhaven; Lowndes, Dr. S. B. Platt, Columbus; Madison, Rev. L. B. Cooper, Jackson; Marion, Rev. J. D. Walker, Goss; Marshall, Rev. B. B. McGee, Holly Springs.

Mississippi, Grady Rice, Liberty; Monroe, Rev. Frank Thomas, Aberdeen; Montgomery, Rev. Landrum Sally, Kilmichael;

Dockery Evangelist

Gordon Shamburger

Revival services will be held at the Dockery Church, Sunflower Association, July 31-August 7. Gordon Shamburger, pastor of Friendship Church, Pike Association, will be the visiting evangelist. Jerry Robinson, Jr., pastor, will lead the singing.

The survey sponsored by the home mission board was recently conducted in the church by Mr. Shamburger and Mr. Robinson. It revealed 98 lost people, and 103 unaffiliated Baptists. There has been 28 professions of faith in the Dockery Church since January 1.

Neshoba, Robert Nations, Philadelphia; New Choctaw, Mack Jimmie, Philadelphia; Newton, Rev. C. O. Lindsey, Union; Noxubee, Thomas Barnett, Macon; Oktibbeha, Rev. D. C. Applegate, Starkville; Panola, Rev. Robert L. Jackson, Sardis; Pearl River, Rev. N. F. Greer, Poplarville.

Perry, Mr. B. L. Shows, Beaumont; Pike, Rev. H. T. Eldridge, Summit; Pontotoc, Rev. Partee Tutor, Pontotoc; Prestiss, Rev. Earl Beller, Wheeler; Rankin, Dr. R. B. Gunter, Florence; Riverside, R. G. Hurt, Lyon; Scott, Mr. L. C. Gordy, Forest; Sharkey-Issaquena, H. G. Carpenter, Rolling Fork; Simpson, Rev. W. E. Hardy, Pinola; Smith, Rev. C. O. Parker, Magee.

Sunflower, Dr. Kermit Canterbury, Indianola; Tallahatchie, Rev. T. C. Pinson, Charleston; Tate, C. O. Pate, Senatobia; Tippah, Rev. DeWayne Whitman, Ripley; Tishomingo, Rev. O. R. Montgomery, Booneville; Union, Rev. J. H. Hammett, Pine Ridge, Union County, Rev. James Welch, Guntown; Walthall, Rev. Alvin R. Sandifer, Tylertown; Warren, Ralph Adams, Vicksburg; Washington, Rev. George A. Chandler, Greenville.

Wayne, M. F. Douglas, Waynesboro; Winston, Rev. Olyn Roberts, Louisville, Yalobusha, Rev. C. W. Sheffield, Oakland; Yazoo, Rev. John Vandercook (Moderator), Tinsley, Zion, Rev. Odie Henderson, Mathiston.

Good In Everything

By Chaplain W. W. Hamilton, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, Louisiana

"And this our life, exempt from public haunt, finds tongues in trees, books in running brooks, sermons in stones, and good in everything." Shakespeare, when he wrote those words, surely must have been recalling the Bible statements that even in the valley of the shadow we need fear no evil; that though the afflictions of the righteous may be many the Lord delivereth him out of them all; that we are not to despise the chastening of the Lord, for whom he loveth he reproveth, even as a father the son in whom he delighteth; that all things will be made to work together for good to those who love God.

The uses of adversity are many, and are good for us, if for no other reason than the season of sober reflection which they bring. We see things more clearly at such times.

Harold Dye, in his book, "The Weaver", tells of a Navajo Indian woman who was working into a rug the principles of her tribe. The weaver needed all of the colors, and they must be skillfully put together, if her work was to be complete and worthy. There had to be the red thread of courage, the blue thread of strength, the golden thread of faith, the violet thread for portraying love, the green to magnify patience, the black thread of sorrow mixed with the white of righteousness, and all united by the woolen thread of simplicity.

"Strangler" Lewis, who it is told won so many matches and lost so few, said here in New Orleans that he had been an alcoholic, and was going blind being told there was no hope for him. He stated that through reading the Bible and through faith in the Saviour he was completely changed and said, "I promised I would devote the rest of my life to telling boys and girls about the greatest Champion of them all, even Jesus Christ".

A group of soldiers, who were to go into battle the next day, were considering what tomorrow might bring to them and to their loved ones back home, and in closing their prayer time they sang, "When I survey the wondrous Cross." At the end of the stanza which says, "Demands my soul, my life, my all," they put their own personal surrender into it by singing, "shall have my soul, my life, my all".

How many are the reminders which God gives, that even in adversity there are the good things, the unusual blessings which can be known and realized in no other way. Louis Zamperini says that he left Japan in 1945 with hatred in his heart, because of being starved and

Petal-Harvey Plans Revival

Petal-Harvey Church, Lebanon Assn, Petal, will hold its revival July 31-August 7.

Dr. Frank K. Horton, Oakhurst Church, Clarksdale, will be the evangelist and Ed E. Bridges will be the music director; Jerry O. Craft, organist and Mrs. W. H. Clearman, pianist.

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Dr. A. A. Kitchings

Dr. A. A. Kitchings will be the evangelist in a revival at Dry Creek Church, Rankin County, July 31-August 5.

Dr. Kitchings has been the professor of foreign languages at Mississippi College for the past twenty-three years and he has also been active as a pastor.

Rev. Bob Louk is the pastor. Mr. Lacy W. Berry will direct the music.

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Concord Adds 8; Goes Full-Time

Concord Church in Rankin County held its revival July 10-15 with Dr. L. A. Curtis of Tutwiler doing the preaching. There were eight additions, four on profession of faith.

Concord Church has voted to promote a full-time program, effective August 1. Rev. H. C. Davis, who has served the church during the past year in connection with his pastorate of the Fannin Church, has resigned the Fannin pastorate in order to assume the full-time work at Concord. He will also continue his studies this fall at Mississippi College.

tortured by his captors, but that in a Billy Graham meeting in Los Angeles he was saved.

From an Olympic runner, he was changed into a missionary, and remembering what Christ had suffered for him, he decided to return to Japan and seek out those who had so mistreated him and make it his privilege and joy to win them to the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. He had learned what we find in the triumph chapter of Romans, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us".

Ryland Knight Dies In Atlanta Hospital

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — Ryland Knight, 78, retired Southern Baptist minister, died here July 9 in Georgia Baptist Hospital.

Knight retired from the ministry in 1951 and had been living at Apopka, Fla., since then. His last active pastorate was at First Baptist Church, Pulaski, Va.

Knight has served on the Foreign Mission, Home Mission, and Sunday School Boards of the Convention. He also formerly was president of the executive board of Tennessee Baptists.

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TEXAS BAPTIST SCHOOLS EXPAND

DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — The Christian education commission for Texas Baptists reports Baptist-operated schools in the state are in the greatest period of expansion in their history.

In a five-year period, the schools have spent \$7½ million on construction, including \$6 million on new dormitories.

Texas Baptists operate seven senior colleges, a junior college, and an academy.

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Monticello To Have Youth Meet

Arlis C. Hinson, the youth director of Monticello church for the summer, announces that plans have been completed for the Youth Revival to be held from August 7-14. Members of the visiting team are Rev. Bob Overton of Amory, evangelist; Charles W. Ferguson of Weir, Song Leader and Miss Shirley Ruth Meek of Jackson, Organist-pianist.

The Rev. Mr. Overton, is a senior at Mississippi College and pastor of Friendship church at Starkville.

Charles Ferguson, received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Mississippi College this year with distinction.

Miss Shirley Ruth Meek is a Junior music major at Mississippi College.

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Mr. and Mrs. Glendon D. Grober, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Equatorial Brazil, have left for Campinas, where they will enter language school. Their address is Caixa Postal 679, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil. Mr. Grober is a native of Vicksburg, Miss.

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Ordained At Flora



Thomas Copeland was or-
dained recently to the full
work of the gospel ministry by
the Flora Church, of which he
is a member. The ordaining
council consisted of the follow-
ing ministers: Wm. P. Davis,
pastor, who acted as chairman
and leading in examination; J.
L. Boyd, serving as secretary;
Sollie Smith, charging the can-
didate; David Cranford, charg-
ing the church; Roy Self, offer-
ing the prayer; and Lyndon B.
Cooper.

Pastor Davis preached the
sermon and Deacon C. E.
Anding presented the Bible to
young Copeland who led the
closing prayer.

Co-Operation
Is Good

(An editorial in the
Presbyterian Outlook)

A recent plea that American
Baptists at least ought to "try
to do some things together"
stressed a great concern of
some Baptists and a source of
real satisfaction when the Pres-
byterian situation is surveyed.

At the Miami convention of
Southern Baptists, Herbert
Gezork of the American (or
Northern) Baptist Convention
made the earnest plea. He said
they hold common Baptist con-
victions. "Do we also have com-
mon areas of co-operation? Per-
haps in this field we have most-
ly hopes and wishes."

Well informed Baptists say,
to their knowledge, they have
not one single co-operative ven-
ture between the two conven-
tions.

While we Presbyterians have
much progress to make, we can
be grateful (1) for the extensive
list of activities carried on co-
operatively by U. S. and USA
Presbyterians, and (2) for the
unanimous approval by the re-
cent Assemblies of continued

Thomas Copeland is a B. A.
graduate of Mississippi College,
and plans to enter this fall the
University of Alabama on a fel-
lowship for graduate work in
social studies.

and extended effort which we
may share jointly.

Many people are genuinely
surprised when they discover
the extent of our cooperation,
and more, of our united work.
This is to be found at every
level for there are united or
federated congregations and in
foreign lands there are jointly
conducted missionary under-
takings to the extent of a united
church. In between there is
every conceivable form of co-
operation. There is a common
book of worship, and a joint
hymnal will appear next fall.
There are close ties in minis-
terial exchanges back and forth.
Our Boards and agencies have
extensive work in common. We
have joint orphanages and col-
leges and a seminary. In some
areas, we have joint youth work
and men's work. We have a long
list of united activities on uni-
versity campuses.

We can be grateful not only
for the fact of this united work
but also for the results of it in
the lives of those who partici-
pate in it and are touched by
it. The vote on union, for in-
stance, revealed the clear fact
that the people who are in
closest contact with each other,
who have come to know each
other best by sharing in these
united tasks, are the ones who
hold each other in the highest
regard.

We can wish for Baptists that
they may come to experience

EDEN DEDICATES BLDG.



The educational building of
the Eden Church, shown above,
was dedicated on July 17, which
was the first day of a week's
revival. Rev. D. I. Young, Jr. of
Ludlow, preached the dedica-
tory message.

Dinner was served at the
church on that day. During the
afternoon two deacons were or-
dained. They were A. A. Scott
and P. N. Carson. The ordina-
tion sermon was preached by
Rev. W. R. Swenson of Duncan,
who was also the evangelist in
the revival. Jerry Miller led the
singing.

Rev. E. C. Wheeler has been
pastor of the Eden Church for
the past three years. In the
spring the church observed
Youth Week. There were two
professions of faith in the Va-
cation Bible School. All church
property is free of debt.

what we have found as they
join hands in at least some
areas to share a common work.
—a Baptist Press Feature

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

August 1 — Jr. G. A. Camp;
State School of Church Music
through Friday, Clinton.

August 2 — Walter Boland,
Tralake, Blue Mountain Col-
lege trustee; E. E. Laird,
Jackson, Baptist Foundation
trustee.

August 3 — W. M. Gerrard,
Greenwood, Baptist Memorial
Hospital trustee; Carroll
Gartin, Laurel, Baptist Hos-
pital Trustee.

August 4 — Eugene Crawford,
Baldwin, Baptist Orphanage
trustee; James McCrary,
Boyle, Social Service Commis-
sion.

August 5 — E. L. Clark, Newton,
Board of Ministerial Educa-
tion; Rev. Roy Self, Yazoo-
Madison Associational Mis-
sionary.

August 6 — Y. W. A. Conference
at Garaywa: C. F. Randie,
Pontotoc Associational Broth-
erhood president.

August 7 — W. E. Prout, Bolivar
Associational Convention
Board member.

—BR—

Carson - Newman College's
new men's dormitory will be in
the building state after Sept. 1.
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be ready next summer at the
Baptist college in Jefferson
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Baptists And The Baptism Of Water

(A message delivered by Rev. Vernon May, pastor of Tyler-town Church, Tylertown, Miss., to pastors attending fellowship hour at First Church, Shreveport, Louisiana during the Simultaneous Crusade, April 1955)

Introduction: We are not concerned in this message with the fine art of Baptism. However, we would like to say two things: (1) we ought to make proper preparation for the service, (2) we ought to learn best techniques.

I. THE MEANING OF THE WORD BAPTISM

A. The word "baptism" is transliterated from the Greek word "baptizo" which means to immerse, to dip, to sink, or to plant beneath. There is no evidence that Luke, Paul or any other New Testament writer put upon this verb meanings not recognized by the Greeks. The Greek language has had a continuous history and "baptizo" is used today in Greece for baptism.

B. Professor Goodwin of Harvard University writing February 13, 1895 says, "the classical meaning of 'baptizo' is to dip and I never heard of its having any other meaning anywhere. Certainly, I never saw a Lexicon which gives either sprinkle or pour as the meaning of 'baptizo'."

C. Plummer writing in the International Critical Commentary on Luke says, "It is only when baptism is administered by immersion that its full significance is seen."

II. THE BIBLE USE OF THE WORD "BAPTIZO"

In every passage where the word occurs in the New Testament it requires or allows the meaning "immerse". Matthew 3:6, 11 "I indeed baptize you in water unto repentance — He shall baptize you in the Holy Ghost and with fire." Mark 1:5, 9—"They were baptized of him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins — Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan." Acts 8:38—"And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the Eunuch; and he baptized Him."

III. THE TESTIMONY OF CHURCH HISTORY AS TO THE PRACTICE OF THE EARLY CHURCH

A. Fisher, Beginnings of Christianity, 565, says, "Baptism is now generally agreed among scholars, was commonly administered by immersion."

B. Schaff, History of the Apostolic Church, 570 says, "Respecting the form of baptism, the impartial history is compelled by exegesis and history substantially to yield the point to the Baptists." "The baptism of Christ in the Jordan, and the illustrations of

baptism used in the New Testament, are all in favor of immersion, rather than of sprinkling, as is freely admitted by the best exegetes, Catholic and Protestant, English and German."

C. Dean Stanley, in his address at Eton College, March 1879, on Historical Aspects of American Churches, speaks of immersion as "the primitive, apostolic, and, till the thirteenth century, the universal, mode of baptism, which is still retained throughout the Eastern churches, and which is still in our own church as positively enjoined in theory as it is universally neglected in practice." The same writer, in the nineteenth century, October 1879,

says that "the change from immersion to sprinkling has set aside the larger part of the apostolic language regarding baptism, and has altered the very meaning of the word."

IV. THE SUBJECTS OF BAPTISM

A. Instructions precede baptism. This is a distinct denial of infant baptism.

B. The uniform practice in the New Testament is that baptism follows confession.

1. Matthew 3:5-6 — "Then Jerusalem and all Judea, even the whole Jordan district, continued to go out to him, and were baptized by him in the Jordan river as one by one they continued to confess their sins." (Williams)

C. Dr. A. S. Grapsey, formerly an Episcopal Rector in Rochester, made the following statement in the introduction to a sermon in defense of infant baptism: "Now in support of this custom of the church, we can bring no express command of God, no certain warrant of holy scripture, nor can we be at all sure that this usage prevailed during the apostolic age. From a few obscure hints we may conjecture that it did, but it is only conjecture after all. It is true St. Paul baptized the household of Stephanus; of Lydia, and of the jailor at Philippi, and in these households there may have been little children, but we do not know that there were, and these inferences form but a poor foundation upon which to base any doctrine. Better say, at once, and boldly, that infant baptism is not expressly taught in holy Scripture. Not only is the word of God silent on this subject, but those who have studied the subject tell us that Christian writers of the very first age say nothing about it. It is by no means sure that his custom obtained in the church earlier than in the middle of the second or the beginning of the third century."

D. Who then is eligible for baptism?

Only those who have repented and believed.

1. Matthew 3:2, 3, 6 — "Repent ye — make ready the way of the Lord — and they were baptized of him in the river their sins."

2. Acts 2:37, 38 — "Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins." Acts 8:12 — "When they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women."

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V. THE SYMBOLISM OF BAPTISM

Baptism is a picture, which cannot be painted by words. This picture presents three things to our minds.

A. The Death, Burial, and Resurrection of Christ.

B. The purpose of that death and resurrection.

1. To atone for sin.

2. To deliver sinners from penalty of sin.

C. The change which is already wrought in the life of the sinner. It signals his transition from an impure to a pure life, his death to a past he abandons, and his new birth to a future he desires.

CONCLUSIONS: Our present obligation

Since Jesus submitted to baptism and enjoined it upon His disciples, the ordinance is of perpetual obligation. It is not to be dropped for expediency's sake or for convenience. Who are we as "little fish" in the mighty waters of God to change one of His ordinances? The form itself is necessary to the significance of the rite. Hence we hold that immersion alone is to be practiced since immersion alone was commanded by Jesus and practiced in the New Testament times. Immersion to new life in Christ. The mold has been set. The die has been cast. God help us as Baptist people never to change that which God has ordered.

—BR—

Niland Chapel in Bolivar Association will have its annual Homecoming on July 31.

"Some... (To Be) Teachers"

By Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, Dean School of Religious Education Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Louisville, Kentucky

(Excerpts from a sermon by Dr. Dobbins on the occasion of setting apart of a minister of education.)

The ministry of teaching is as old as Christianity. Matthew tells us that Jesus went about "teaching and preaching." The founder of Christianity was called Teacher more than by any other title. He spent more of his time teaching than in any other activity. He trained Twelve to teach. He commissioned his followers to teach.

At the beginning, the church was more school than an audience, the minister more a teacher than a pulpiteer. Paul crowns the list of Christ's gifts to the churches with "some... to be teachers." This does not mean a separation between the preacher and the teacher, for functions are combined in the same person; but it does make crystal clear that Christ calls to the ministry of teaching.

Since a church's main business is the "ministry of the Word," obviously it cannot fulfill its mission by preaching only. Preaching to be effective must be related to the work of others. Preaching is at its best in a setting of worship, a major feature of which is music. The ministry of music may well require a minister of music, called of God and prepared for his special service. Preaching is most fruitful when addressed to those who have been taught. The ministry of teaching needs a minister of teaching, likewise called and equipped.

"The ministry of the Word" is obviously accomplished by the effective teaching, worship. As churches grow in size and complexity, they demand specialization of function. The pastoral ministry is exercised chiefly through preaching and personal services; the educational ministry, chiefly through teaching and administration of the educational organizations; the ministry of worship, chiefly through music in which the whole congregation shares. All three "ministers" and those associated with them — are engaged in the total ministry of the church — the "cure of souls." They are not related to one another as superiors and subordinates but as teammates in the carrying out of Christ's commission.

Coronet To Feature Baptist Preacher

WALKER, La. —(BP)— Folks all over the nation will follow the ministry of J. D. Carroll, pastor of a rural Southern Baptist church near here, in August.

Carroll, pastor of Judson Baptist Church (membership: 610), is the subject of a picture feature story covering eight pages in Coronet's August number.

The feature is entitled "Country Preacher."

—BR—

It is folly to forget God, upon whom all life depends, and it is ingratitude to forget Him in the springtime of life."

—Perry F. Webb

This appointment of our brother is in recognition of an antecedent divine appointment, which the church has been fully assured. The appointment is publicly celebrated in the light of full preparation for the office, which includes four years of college and two years of Seminary study, attested by the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Religious Education degrees. The appointment is further justified by the confidence of a church in its call to this man to be its minister of education. Thus we feel that the conditions of New Testament teaching and of historic Baptist practice have been fully met.

I therefore charge you, my brother, in the sight of God and in the presence of this people, in the words of the veteran Paul to the young man Timothy:

Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ... Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. (2 Tim. 1:3, 7)

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